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IT was the vſe amongſt the auncient Philoſophers (moſt gentle Reader) that they neuer admitted or receiued any Scholler, vnto whom they did not indict and appyont a certayn time to heare and keepe ſilence: willing them in no wiſe for to ſpeake, vntill that by hearing they had learned to ſpeake wiſely and diſcreetly. Whoſe example beeing preſent in my minde, and alſo the raſh and timeratious iudgements of many conuerſant before myne eyes: I thought it good to admoniſh you, that following the example aforeſaid, to beſtow ſome labour and tyme in peruſing and readyng

this briefe worke of *Chiromantie* or Manuell Dyuination, before you enter into iudgement of any effect or certaynty of the ſame. The thing if thou diligently and attentyuely doe, I doubt not but that beſide the great pleaſure and delectation thou ſhalt finde therein, that thou ſhalt in like wyſe reape and gather no leſſe good fruite and profite thereof. For heereby thou ſhalt perceiue and ſee the ſecret workes of Nature, how aptly and neceſſaryly ſhee hath compound & knit each member with other: giuing vnto the hand (as vnto a table) certayn ſignes & tokens whereby to diſcerne and knowe the inward motions and affections of the mynd and heart with the inwarde ſtate of the

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whole bodye: as also our inclination and aptnes to all our externall actions and dooings. For what more profitable thing may be supposed or thought, then when a man in himselfe, maye foresee and knowe his proper and fatall accydents: and thereby to imbrace and follow that which is good, and to auoyde and eschew the euils which are imynent vnto him, for the better vnderstanding and knowledge thereof? And for as much as the *Chyromancy* vnto some peraduenture may seeme obscure and darke: we haue annexed heere-vnto an Epilogue or briefe collection of the Art of Physiognomy and circumstances vpon the Faces of the Signes, with certain Canons or rules, aswell for the

knowledge, as also for the curing and helping of diseases, very necessary and profitale. Then orderly comming vnto Astrology, we haue described vnto you aswell by the artificiall Horoscope, as also by the naturall entring of the Sunne into any of the 12. celestial signes: the whole effect and power that any of the *Planets* and eratycall Stars may by any meanes worke in vs. Whereby, hauing recourse first vnto the hande, and marking and noting such signes and tokens as therein shall appeare, then beholding the proportion and lineaments of the whole body, and according to the prescript rules to way and consider the equality & agreeablenes betweene them, with like respect had

had vnto the natiuity iudging either by the artificiall Horoſcope or by the Naturall courſe of the Sun: thou ſhalt not onely ſee and perceiue a great neceſſity and affinyty betweene our terreſtiall and the celeſtiall bodies, but alſo foreſee and knowe a M. accidents eyther to good or euyll prouided vnto vs, and hanging ouer our head. But leaſt that any man ſhoulde thinke that heereby wee attribute ſo much vnto Naturall prouidence, as though it were inculitable, and thereby vſe it is a refuge or ſanctuary, for all their euill actions and doings. Vnto ſuch we will obiect the aunſwer of *Criſippus*, writing in this manner. Although (ſaith hee) that nature hath prouided all thinges from the beginning,

ning, and that by her prouidence all things are moued and stirred vp by a certayne necessary reason & motion: yet notwithstanding our dispositions and myndes are no further subiect or in daunger thereof, then their propriety and quality is concordant and agreeable vnto the same. For if that by nature our wittes be first made wholsome and good, and after endued with reason and vnderstanding: eyther they do vtterly put off and auoyde all euill influences and accydents; or els receiue & beare them the more easily without hurt or damage. If contrarywise our dispositions of themselues be rude and grosse not endued with any kinde of letters or good learning to assist and helpe them withall with e-

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ery light conflict or assault of our naturall inclynation, we run headlong into all kynd of errors and vyce. Euen following the ensample of the *Cilinder* Stone, which by Nature beeing apt to roule and tumble, and beeing cast or throwne downe into hollow or steepe places: doth run without ceasing, not so much because it is cast or throwne, as for his owne Nature and aptnes hereunto, and not hauing in it selfe any thing to withstand the same. The Author himselfe in like manner foreseeing the cauillations of certayne euill disposed persons, which would make all things subiect vnto the influences of the heauenly bodies: before he entreth to speake of the iudgements of natyuities,

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And this ſhalbe ſufficient at this time to anſwere the vaine obiection of naturall prouidence, whereby the fruit of this worke might by any mean ſeeme to be conuerted into any vice or error, the which indeede of it ſelfe is verie neceſſary and profitable. What ſhould I neede to ſtand about with long circumſtances to deſcribe the particular commodities of theſe briefe workes annexed together: when that the labour is ſo ſmall, that with once or twiſe diligent and attentiue reading; the whole effect is knowne and vnderſtood? Notwithſtanding, I would wiſh and deſire that all men which ſhall reade or take any fruite of this ſmal treatiſe, to vſe ſuch moderation in peruſing of the ſame

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The first Chapter of the distinction of the Hand.

THe Auncient Grækes, who (as it may appeare by the long and ould vse of the worlde) did vse this sort and kind of Diuination which is gathered by the beholding of mans hand, called it by this proper name of Chyromancia. Wherefore, I intending to write the the rules and obseruations thereof, doe thinke it necessary and mete first of all to describe the hand of man, and poynt out and set forth his parts, whereby such rules and precepts as shall be giuen vpon this manuall Diuination: may the more easily be vnderstood & known. The hand therefore being extended or opened abroad, the plaine within is cal'd

the palme, in the middeſt whereof there is a certaine ſpace called the concaue or hollowneſſe, out of the which the Fiue fingers haue their Originall and beginning. Amongſt the which, the fyrſt beeing the ſtrongeſt and moſt groſſe, is called the thombe: the next is called the Index or forefinger, becauſe in ſhewing or poynting to any thing, wee doe commonly vſe that finger: the next that followeth and is in the middeſt of the fiue, is by the ſame name called the middle finger: next after this, is the ring finger. ſo called, becauſe it is commonly to weare a Ring of gold vpon it, eſpecially that on the left hand, for becauſe as learned Men hold opinion, there doth paſſe a certaine ſmall ſinnow from that finger to the hart of man: wherfore it ſemed good in times paſt to the antiquyty, to weare a Ring as a Crowne vppon that finger, or elſe as ſome doe ſuppoſe, that Gould by nature doth comfort the heart. The laſt Finger and leaſt of all, is called the eare Finger, becauſe it is commonly vſed to make cleane the eares.

eates: and thus far concerning the fingers. Moreouer, the hand being closed or shut with the fingers turned in, wee call the first: the nether part thereof (amongst such as vse this Art,) is commonly called the percussion or stroke of the hand. Then the place where the hand is drawen and gathered in, and ioyned to the Arme, is also called the Wrest. Furthermore, euery finger hath his proper rising or swelling of the flesh, which doth rise at the roote or nether part of the sayd fingers, and of some is called hils, and are attributed vnto the names of the Planets. Among the which is reckoned the rysing or hill in the nether part of the Fist, called the percussion of the hand, so that in the hand are limitted and appoynted seuerall places vnto euery of the Planets, whereby iudgement may bee gathered. For the rising or hill of the Thombe is assigned Venus, and marked with this Caracter ♀: the hill of the forefinger to IVPITER, and is thus noted ♃, the middle finger is attributed to Saturne, with this note ♄

the Ring finger to the Sunne, with this character ☉, the hill of the little or eare finger is vnder Mercurie, with this marke ☿ the rising or hill which is in the percussion, the Moone, doth possesse and is thus figured ☽. Now what place Mars shall haue wee will shew you hereafter, but first we will make description of the incisions and diuisions of the hand which wee call the lines. Amongst the which these be chiefe and principall, the first which deuideth the hand from the arme, and is almost ioyned to the line of life, or of the heart, the which beginneth vnder the hill of the forefinger, as it were betweene the forefinger and the thombe, and doth deuide the hand stretching downeward toward the wrest. In the same side of the hand at the hill of the forefinger, beginneth a lyne which passeth ouerthwart the hand to the hill of the Moone, and is called the middle or meane naturall line. And these two lines thus beginning and passing sundry wayes, make the forme and shape of a Triangle. To the which, if the line of

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the Lyner or Stomache, which beginneth ouer against the wrest, and passeth vnder the hill of the thombe, to the hill of the Moone, by the end of the middle naturall lyne, do appeare, as in some it doth not, it fimsheth the Triangle. And the space conteyned within these lynes, is attributed and giuen vnto Mars, and is called the Triangle of Mars noted with this Figure ♂. There is also another line, called the table line beginning vnder the eare finger, at the end of the hill of the Moone, and runneth to the fore finger, and is so called, because the space betweene it and the middle or meane naturall, doth argue or shew the fashion of a Table, and that pace is alwayes called the Table quadrangle of the hand and the lyne is also called the lyne of fortune. And these be almost the chiefe diuisions or lynes of the hand, to the which all other lesse and smaller incisions and lynes are referred. But now as neere as we can we will describe them all, and as farre as appertaineth to this Arte, shewe their nature and signifycation. And first

I thinke méete to speake of those lynes which take their denomination or name of the three principall members of mans Body: that is, of the heart, the Braine, and the Lyuer. For as in those partes, whatsoeuer is in man, is altered and chaunged: So by those three incisions and lines, a man may foresee and prognosticate what so euer shall happen, touching health, or aduersity, or any other things naturall. The which if any man thinke to be vayne and tryflyng let him call to remembrance the auncient Philosophers of Pythagoras Sect, who chiefly by the proportion & Lyneaments of mans body, did declare and prognosticate the manners, state, and end of mans lyfe. For what is sayd of Socrates, when that a certayne man professing the Art of Phisiognomie, or speculation: beholding Socrates, iudged him by his outward habite to bée a very euill man, of vncleane lyfe, lybidinous and giuen to all euill: was therefore wonderfully rebuked of his Scholliers, as though hee had shamefully slaundered him

him. Socrates answered, that indéede naturally hée felt such motions and inclynations, so that if hae had not corrected his vices of this nature by the rules of reason, hée had béen such a one as hée had pronounced him to bée: meaning thereby all those vices, which nature and Destyny hath planted in vs, may easily by reason and custome bee amended, if we will striue against destyny. And the Prince of the Parypetecians Aristotle, sayd the hand of man to bee made of Nature, the princypall Organ and instrument in mans Body. For sithence it is his offyce to minyster and serue all other partes of the Body, and that in humane generation, the vertues, powers, and strength of all members doe come together. It is very consequent and agréeable, some certayne signes and tokens of the quality and complexion of man, to be knowne and perceiued by the hand.

Such is the proportion of members among themselues, that they doe partake one with another in all thinges. And

further, that this Art of Chyromancie was vsed in the time of Plinie, hee himselfe both affirme. Notwithstanding I take it to bee my duty to admonish you what you ought to attribute to this Art, and what is elſe to be ioyned with it, least any man should thinke to include or shut vp the knowledge of ſo high and great thinges into ſo straight and narrow corners. Wherefore what I iudge herein I thinke good to ſhew. As often as I muſt answere to any that enquireth, by and by as is accuſtomed, I looke vpon the hand, and therewithall behold the whole body, with the lyneaments, and proportion of the ſame, which is called his Phiſiognomie, (whereof in the booke following I will entreate) then I caſt my mind to the houre of Natiuity, Moneth, Day, or Yeare; the which known, I referre ſtrait to the rules of naturall Aſtrology hereafter by mee written, then playnely iudging none of theſe by themſelues ſufficient. And thinking it better to iudge them fooles in giuing light credit, then I to bee counted raſh and foo-

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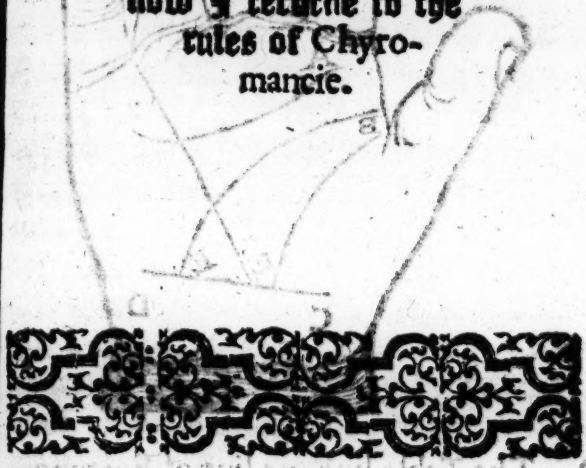
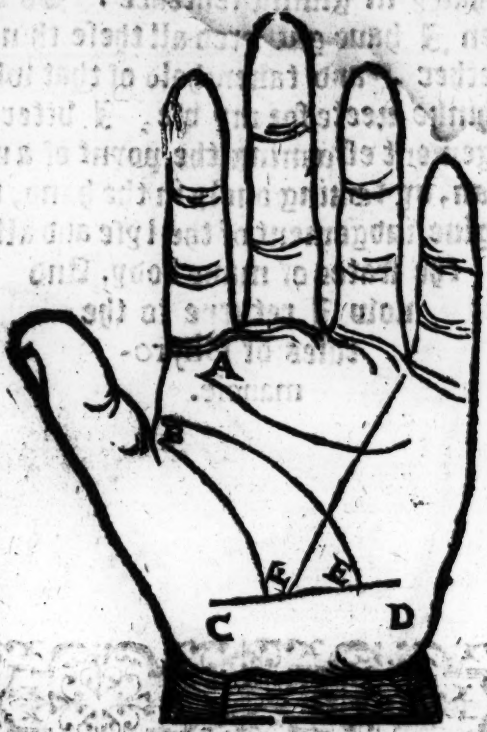
ith hastye in giuing sentence. So that when I haue gathered all these thinges together, and taken hold of that which I thinke meete for my vse, I vtter my iudgement esteeming the poynt of a mad man, by looking onely in the hand, to giue iudgement of the lyfe and all the states of mans body. And now I returne to the rules of Chyromancie.





A The Table line, or line of Fortune.
B The line of Life, or of the heart.
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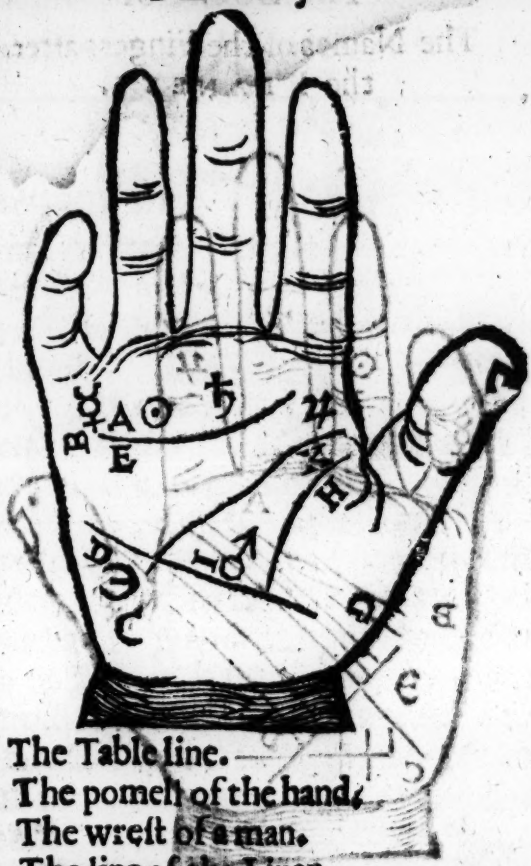
D The Pomell of the hand.
E The middle naturall line.
F The line of the Liuer, or ſtomacke.



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The hill of the thombe.
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The triangle.
The middle naturall line.

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The Names of the Fingers after the PLANETS.

A The imperfect Table line.
B The Sister to the naturall line.
C The line of the Liuer or stomacke.
D The Sister of the line of life.
E The line of life.

¶ The second Chapter of the line of life, or of the heart.

The line of life, called also the lyne of the heart, beginneth as is sayd before at the hill of the forefinger, passing by the midst of the palme; goeth to the wrest. The which if it bee long, strait, linely coloured, bright and cleare, betokeneth long life, endomaged with few diseases or sicknesses.

Plinie affirming the same, sayth, that is a token of long life to haue vpright shoulders, and two long incisions or lines in one hand, the which are to be vnderstood of the line of life, and the middle naturall line. If that the naturall powers be weake, and that the line do appeare short and of diuers colours, running in and out, thin or slender, and cut or parted in sunder, with many ouerthwart lines or small creeks, it doth declare shortnesse of life, much sicknesse, small strength, and that he in whom this is noted, shall seldome or neuer bring any

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cut, and well coloured, it doth declare a good complexion: if they bee contrarywise disposed or set, it sheweth the contrary. Also if the lyne of life be grosse, deepe & diuersly coloured, that is to say, one place red, another pale or swart, is a signe of malice, craft, enuy, & the man to be a great talker, and boaster, and one that standeth much in his owne conceit. If the lyne be grosse and very red, it betokeneth a crafty, a filthy, and an inconstant man, but if it be pale, mired with a certaine rednesse, it signifieth an angry man, almost mad with anger. And it be very red, mired with palenes or swartnesse like Leade: it sheweth an vnconstant, vnshamefast, wauering, traiterous and angry man, and delighting to stir vp mischiefe, & sow discord. But if it be red in the part nert the wrest: it signifieth cruelty, and oftentimes it chanceth to be forked in the vpper corner, which betoken-eth an vnstable man, a runner about Countryes, and marualous in all his doings: the which if it be crooked & writhen toward the middle naturall line

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it signifieth a crafty, deceitful, wanton and a manner of a peruerse and frowar mind: and if you happen to find in th hand of a woman, a crosse, with tha small lines at the vpper corner of th line of life, it signifieth an vnshamefast and vnhonest woman, but if that cross bee found about the right corner in th line it selfe, and be deepe in: it signifiet an vngodly and mischieuous woman which shall suffer great punishmen for her mischiefe. For such a crosse i that line, doth alwaies betoken euil both in man and woman. If that ther bee found two lines in the end of the ri sing of the thombe, neere the line of life as they were lying on the one side: b that token I iudge the man to die shortl And if the line of life haue Branche stretched out toward ỹ middle naturall in forme as you see in the margent: it i a signe of riches, honor, & perfection. Bu if the sayd branches run downeward to ward the wrest in this manner, it signi fieth pouerty & damage by houshold ser uants, through their vntruth: and if th

said braunches do passe streight through the tryangle to the middle naturall, it signifieth a man after diuers and sundry daungers and chaunges of Fortune, to come to prosperity and riches. Moreouer, many small lynes dividing the lyne of life, betokeneth much sicknes: further, if there be in the line of life certain points or graines scattering, it declareth a man vnchaunefull, a fornicator, and in ieopardy of his life for murder in a tumult, whereof hee was author himselfe, and shalbe diuers times sore wounded.

When in the beginning of the line of life there be three small crooked lines, dividing it in this manner, it is a token of a leprosie to come, for it doth declare the ill disposition of the Lyuer: where vppon this which is already sayd may bee gathered, that if the line of life bee long, & deepe wel coloured, hauing a good proportion with the middle naturall lyne, and the lyne of the Lyuer or stomacke, and that the two be of due quantity and length, and well coloured: it is a good signe of long life, good nature, wit, disposition, and com-

plexion. And oftentimes there be found in the line of life one ⊙ or ⊙⊙ of these notes, which doe signify the losse either of one or both eyes, the which although they be seldome found, yet in my selfe I haue had the experience, for in the same place of my Hand is the same marke, the which when I saw, I called to remembrance in what daunger I was of one of my eies, for sitting by the Fyer in Wynter, I fell therein, and tumbling in the flame with my left eye, I was vehemently tormented. Albeit I finde that not onely that doth prognosticate that euil vnto me, but also the oppositon of Mars, and the Moone in my Natiuity. For I fynd at the time of my birth, Mars to be in the Elewenth house in a manly signe, and the Moone likewise in the Fyft house, which constellation, is obserued of the Astronomers to signifie some such thing. And in so much as I haue found this true, it doth so much the more verefie that which I said before, that these Aries were ioyned together, as it were by a certayne allyance, or affinity, and that the one with

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breaking of mettals. Iupiter a shrill sounding, and gentle voice. Venus maketh a weake, soft, pleasant, & effeminate voyce. And so likewise doth the Sun and Mercurie. The Signes also haue their proper voices, for Virgo, Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, doe make good voices or sounds. Aries, Taurus, Leo, Capricorne, and the last part of Sagittary, cause meane voyces. Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are eyther altogether dumbe, & without sound: or else minister some great impediment in the speech. There be also certayne signes called fertile, because they doe increase, which are Cancer, Scorpio, or Pisces. And others be called barren, as Gemini, Leo, Capricorne. So that whatsoeuer a man can do, may be applyed to the signes, as furderers of the same. The which thing in that it cannot be denyed, so much the more are they to be counted slaunderers, which esteeme & repeat Astrology not as diuine, but as a vaine friuolous Art, or knowledge, whome in their places wee will set forth with their colours. But now to returne to our purpose.

If you fynde a crolle in this fort about the vpper corner, proceading out of the lyne of lyfe, and on the nether fide, three small lynes, and on the vpper fide two as you may fée by this figure, it fignifyeth a libidinous and an vnchaunefaft woman. But if the three lynes be found in the nether end of the lyne of lyfe toward the wryft,

west, it betokeneth that the woman shall suffer grieuous punishment for some mischiefe, or euill doing.

When that certayne small lynes do diuide or touch the lyne of lyfe in the vpper end, in forme prescribed: it doth declare the infyrmitye and sickenesse of the

body. But if on the other part of the middle naturall line, there be incisions in this manner, lying as it were direcly from the nether part of the lyne, and rising vpward: it betokeneth euill, as paine in the Head, which commeth of exhalations of the stomacke, or some such other disease. And these three lynes on the end of the line, do betoken euill, as shall appeare hereafter.

The third Chapter of the middle naturall Liue.

The lyne which beginneth at the rote of the lyne of life, and passeth through the palme of the hand, toward the hill of the MOONE, or Pomell of the Hand: is properly called the middle Naturall lyne. The which if it be straite, and vndeuided with any small ouerthwart lynes, it sheweth good health, a sound brayne, a quicke and liuely wit, and also a good memory. If it belong, stretched out to the hill of the Moone, it doth declare a stout Stomacke and long lyfe: which if it be short, that it passe not the hollow-

hollownesse of the hand, it betokeneth a fearefull, couetous, vnwise, and vnfaithfull man; & if the said line doe not stretch out to the hill of the Moone, but end euen against the space, which is betweene the middle finger, and the Ring finger it betokeneth a man of ill manners, & that shal not liue long. Then if the same lyne run out beyond the hill of the Moone, & turne in againe in forme of a halfe compasse: the farther it stretcheth, the longer life it betokeneth, but in age pouerty. But if the same line at the vpper end doe rise toward the Fingers, it signifieth an vnshamefast and malicious man: the which if it rise very much toward the fingers, it doth declare him to be very foolish, and vnwise. Contrarywise, if it turne downeward almost to the Palme of the hand, it is a token of a couetous and vncleane man. On the other part, if it turne vpward, & touch the table line: it signifieth some great losse, and aduerse or euill Fortune: and if the same line be wrythen, vnequall, and of diuers colours: it is a token of an ill disposed mind, and oftentimes of theft. The

line

lyne being ſtraite, equall, and bright co-
loured: betokeneth a good conſcience, and
Juſtice. But when the middle naturall
lyne is broad and groſſe, with a certayne
rednesſe intermedled: it ſignifyeth a rude
diſpoſition and lacke of wit. And if it be
neither too ſtraite nor too large, and well
coloured: it betokeneth a merry, therefull
and a Fortunate man, but if it be ſubtile
and ſlender, ſwart, or pale: it declareth
weakenesſe of the brayne, and vapours ri-
ſing from the Stomache into the Head.
And if the lyne appeare groſſe & very deepe
and hath a certayne ſmall lyne neere to it,
red coloured: it ſheweth an angry and fu-
rious man. Againe if it haue certaine knot-
ty ſpaces in this manner o, ſo many knots
as there be, it doth declare ſo many mur-
ders, either already committed, or here-
after to be done. The which knottes if
they be not fully cloſed or ſhut, they are
a token of a great quarreller, which ſhall
beate and wound but not kill outright. If
there be in the ſame lyne certayne groſſe
pricks, or points: it ſheweth an vnmaner-
ly, foolish, and vnpleaſant man, the which

poynts

oyts if they be very redde: it betokeneth very cruell and fierce man. If the same yne be crooked, making halfe a circle, with a certaine obscure or darke colour: it signifyeth danger by foure footed Beasts, or els to be slayne of a wild beast. And oftentymes, nye the same lyne there be two small lynes ioyned together (as in the Figure of the Hand following you shall see) which signifie wounds, but not with weapons. Moreouer, if there be a crosse in the same lyne, ouer against the middle fynger: it betokeneth that the man shall dye within a yeare. If any man haue this lyne forked toward the wrest, with small diuisions: he seemeth to set all his mind on mischiefe, and neither to feare God nor Man.

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This Figure of the Hand heere descri
bed with the middle naturall lyne, begin
ning at the rot of the line of life, and pas
sing directly through the middest of th
Hand, without any incisions: signifieth
the good state of mans Body, and healt
of the braine. And when it maketh
sharpe corner, with the line of life: it de
claret

declareth a quicknes of memory, and vp-rightnesse of mind. But if it be (as is re-hearsed in the Canon before) vnequall, not stretching past the pit or Cane of the Hand, it betokeneth a fearefull, couetous, and a forgetfull person.

If the middle naturall lyne above Fi
gured, make as it were halfe a Circle
with a certayne obscure colour, it threat
neth hurt by Weapons, and oftentimes
Death. But if at the end of this lyne on
each side doth appeare two small lynes, it
signifieth wounds by weapons. If there
appeare ouer against the middle Fynger
a little Crosse bynded with small lynes,
it doth demonstrate the weakenesse of
the body, and brenity of lyfe, and
so much the rather, if the square
or quadrangle bee lacking
in the Hand.

If the hand before portured, haue in
he middle naturall line certayne pale
nottes: how many knottes there bee, so
many murders it doth declare already com-
mitted, if they bée redde, they doe pro-
nounce the person to bée heereafter both
murderer and theefe. If there be crooked
incisions in ẏ sayd naturall lyne, I judge
him

him to be a very vnhappy, and vnfor-
nate man. And by the crosse there, I su-
pose him to bee full of strife and debate,
desirous of discord.

When this middle naturall line stre-
cheth to the Table lyne. and is crooked
the end in forme prescribed, it declare
a naughty euill tongued man, a shedder
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bloud, and shall often bee in danger for the same, & at the length peraduenture suffer condign punishment. If the same line haue priuy incisions: it doth denounce a proud, babling, and angry man. But if there be a crosse in the vpper corner right against the rising or hil of the thomb: it sheweth an honest man, and apt and disposed to all kind of goodnes, and so likewise on the contrary.

The fourth chapter of the Table-line.

THis line is called the Table-lyne, because it maketh the fashion of a Table in the Hand, for so wee doe call the space remaining betwéen it, and the middle naturall line, it is also called the quadrangle or square line, because that with the middle natural line, it maketh almost a quadrangle or square. If this line be equall, long enough, deepe & strait: it is a token of a good nature and strength of ẏ principle members of man of modesty, temperance, and a constant mind in al good works. If it stretch past

the midst of the hill of the forefinger, touch the hill of Iupi: it is a signe of vehement anger & cruelty, being red about is a signe of a promoter, & envying another mans felicity or welfare. And having branches rising strait to the finger of Iupi: it doth promise promotion, encrease of riches: & that being poore, shall come by little and little to honour and worship. But if the line be naked without any branches stretching toward the rot of the forefinger: it betokeneth an vnfortunate and poore man. If it haue in the end three small lines or braunches about the hill of Iupiter, running strait forth to the vpper corner: it signifieth a fortunate, liberall, merry, modest, & noble man, which delighteth in all kind of comely and cleanly apparell, and sweet smelles and sauours. In whose Birth who doth consider the horoscope, (whether he find Taurus or Libra, whom Venus doth rule, or Sagitarius and Pisces, vpon whom Iupiter hath dominion, or what planet els there be) shal easily perceiue and finde the cause and reason of

this

this mater: a crosse standing in the same place, doth signify a liberal man, a louer of truth, benigne, gentle to be spoken to, and in a maner one indued with al kind of vertue. But if this lyne do smith or end ouer agaynst the Hill of the myddle finger: it betokeneth a lyar, a selfe louer inconstant, deceitfull, vnshamefast man and a sower of strife and debate. When this line is ioyned with the middle natural, so that they make both a sharpe corner: the same man shall be in many dangers both of Body and mynde, that hee shall bee euen weary of his lyfe. And if he lacke the middle natural lyne, that the table lyne ioyning to the lyne of life do make a sharp corner or poynt. I iudge that that Man shall lose his head, or bee deadly wounded, and shall neuer bring any thing to passe. If this lyne be dyuyded, that one part looke toward the midle naturall, the other toward the hil of Saturne: it is a token that he shall bee often in danger of his life, and yet escape. The same lyne being subtile and strait at the end vnder the hill of Iupi-

ter: it signifieth a gouernor of houshold: and promotion or rule ouer his brethren kindred, and equals. If it hath incisions ouer against the middle finger: it betokens a flatterer, and a double tongued man, whome few men shall loue. If a line coming directly from the quadrangle to the hil of Saturn, dividing the Table line, do make a little crosse there, it threatneth violent death. For as this line is a token of great felicity and good fortune, if it pas by the hill of the middle finger, and stretch beyond the hill of the fore-finger: so likewise, not touching the middle finger, and ending vnder the hill thereof, is a signe of extreme poverty, & many calamities and dangers. When this line hauing many interruptions or incisions lying scattered, it signifieth a foolish, and an vnconstant man, whose study or desire is to be in contentiō with women, as now to loue, now to hate, & oftentimes to chide and fight with them. And this line being deep, subtle, & pale, at the end aforesayd declareth an honest chast man, but poore, & much troubled

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with sickneſſe and diſeaſes. But it is an ill ſign, and ſpecially in a woman, when the line beginning at the middle naturall, going to the hill of the middle finger doth both diuide the Table, and the cable line, & is forked in the end. And that Woman which hath a line comming from the line of life, to the hill aforeſaid: it ſignified that Woman to haue killed her owne Childe. The which line if it turne backward to the hill of Iupiter: it betokeneth that woman ſhal haue great inheritance, if that line be redder then the other; it betokens paine in the bowels & knawing about the nauel. Againe, if that line be double, cutting the table line: it ſheweth that the man ſhall die a miſerable death. For both in man and woman, it is a token of an ill end. And often the table line toward the hill of Saturne or Iupiter, is ſeene forked: which doth note the man ſhal ſuffer many ſorrie labours and trauailes in his life, the which the redder it is, it ſheweth him more inclined to anger. When there appeareth in the ſame line, certayne ſmall

lynes ryling one by another: the more ther be, the more honorable they declare him to bee, & to haue the greater power and rule. But in whose hand there is no table lyne at all, I coniecture them to be of both kinds, il willing, contentious, angry, vnfaithfull, vnconstant, & redy to al mischiefe. Moreouer, if there appeare a line coming from the tableline toward the little finger, it is obserued, that man neyther to be good nor fortunate, but couetous, angry, and horrible sad, and also filthy, enuious, and a companion of mischiefe: if there appeare any lines red betweene the Table lyne, & the eare finger; it betokeneth so many mariages as they be in number; but if they be croked and pale, they be already past. Again, if there be found vnder the rot of the table lyne certayn croked crosses, so many as there be, so many deadly enemies they do betoken. When that a lyne comes from the table to the hill of Saturn deuyde the table lyne, and makes a crosse on the end thereof, it is sayd to be a token of a violent death. And certayne wise men in

this science say, that if there bee small incisions about the upper end of ỹ same lyne it betokeneth sickneſſe in youth: if they be in the middeſt, in middle age: if at the other end, in age: and if the same lynes run dowtward, the diſeaſe shall bee of choller: if they aſcend, of fleme: if they rise out of the midſt vpward, it shal bee of blood: and if contrarywiſe they turne downeward, it shall be of Melancholly, after as his colour is bright or darke. Here is to bee vnderſtood, that Cancer, Scorpio, and Piſces, do rule the ſalt fleame. And Saturne cauſeth all diſeaſes that come of a diſcous or ſlymy fleame: as the morphew, leproſie, canker and gout. Taurus, Virgo, & Capricorn, are of like nature, cold, and dry, and rule the melancholy. And therfore venus doth cauſe colde and moyſte diſeaſes in the throat and priuy members. Likewiſe the Moone cauſeth the Dropſie, falling ſickneſs, and Appoplerie. Aries, Leo, & Sagitarius haue dominion of the choler, Agues, and Byles, which come of blood. Likewiſe Mars doth rule hotte Agues,

frenſies, and the woꝛme in the head: vnto Iupiter we attribute the combuſt blod vnto Mercury is applyed the diſeaſes of the mind, bitter, and heauy thoughts, and troubled conſcience. The Sun bꝛingeth hot & dꝛy diſeaſes. All which things ſhall appeare moꝛe playne hereafter, where the nature of the planets & ſignes ſhalbe ſpoken of, wheꝛfoꝛe note alwaies that the rednelle of the lines oꝛ inciſions come of the heate of Mars. Theꝛefoꝛe in all the iudgements of this Manuall Diuination, I will you to haue reſpect to the nature of the Planets and ſignes, wherein the Sun was the time of Natiuity oꝛ birth. And ſo likewiſe the Phiſiognomy muſt bee taken hẽd of, and by that meanes the wiſe iudge ſhall get both pꝛofit and pꝛayſe.

If there be found in the line of Fo-
me, called also the lyne of prosperity,
nee small branches, and be ioynd with
e line of life, and therewith diuide the
rest: it betokeneth a good and quicke
it, but if it toyne to those lines, as it
here described, with a certayne wri-
ing or crookednesse: it signifieth an
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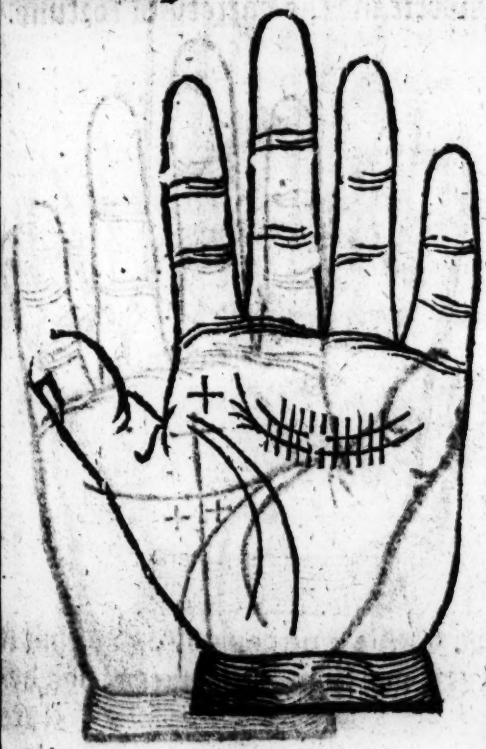
euill, peruerse, wicked, and a malicious slaunderer, and one which coueteth al way to shed blood. For wensoeue you shall see these maner of lynes, strai remember and haue retourse to the na ture of Mars.

The Table lyne thus disposed that begin and end in his due places, doe de clar

clare the good state of ỹ body, & strength of the members of generation. But contrarywise, if there be no table lyne at al or that it be without branches short and grosse, stretching out beyond the hill of the forefinger: it signifieth a mischievous person, and hard of learning or understanding.



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These 3. branches in the end about the hil of the fore finger, against ỹ vpper corner: is a good sign both in man & woman. Also a little crosse in the same place betokeneth good likewise. If the said table line haue many incisions: it signifieth hatred of princes, & of great men: but if the incisions be vnequall and dispersed, you shall vnderstand the variety of fortune.

If that the table line be lacking in the hand of man or woman: it is a very euil signe. For it sheweth a man prompt to all mischiefe, which also that dy an euil death. There must also be respect to the lines about the hill of mercury, for there is the signes of mariage, and the iudgement of such thinges as pertayne to the planet of mercury.

Agayne, if the Table line do thoroughly touch the naturall lyne, that it make a sharpe angle as you may see, it betokeneth ill: for so many perils shall hang ouer his head, that hee may iustly repent that euer hee was borne. But if the naturall lyne bee lacking, and the table lyne touch the lyne of the hart (except he be vtterly deceiued) that man shall lose his head, or die some ill death. When a certayne lyne (as here you may see, doth deuyde the table lyne, and make a small Crosse in the vpper end: it doth betoken a violent death. The which lyne if it ris straite vpward in the hand of a woman and deuyde the table lyne: it is an euill token, for the which seek the Cannon or rule afore. If there be a small crosse in the end of this table lyne: it betokeneth spirituall promotyes, and the rather, if there be two crosses (as I haue often proued) it signifieth ecclesiasticall promotions.

¶ The fift Chapter of the Wrest.

The space which as is aforesaid appearing in the ioyning of ỳ hand to the arme, is called the wrest, the which if it be pure, and of a good lively colour: it declareth the good estate of the body, and contrariwise the euill. And note, that for the most part there bee two lines which as it were diuyde the hand from the Arme. If there bee two lynes, then if that next the hand bee equall, straight, and well coloured stretching vpward: it promiseth riches, yea, although he be very poore, it promiseth increase and felicity, and somuch the rather, if there bee straight braunches and not ouerthwart. If that a line rising at the rot of the arme, do run vp to the rote of the middle finger: it signifieth good successe and prosperous fortune. But if there be in ỳ space or ioynt foure equall lynes well ioyned, diuiding the arme ouerthwart, behold great honour and dignity, succession, & heritage of the kindred. And if there be found in th-

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signifieth that person to be accused an
betraied by women, and to suffer slan
der by them. Further, if a line beginin
in the middle of the wrest, go toward th
hill of the Moone: it doth prognostica
many stormes & troubles of fortune, an
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line if it be crooked & unequall: it is a to
ken of continuall bondage, and that th
person shall never come to promotion n
riches. If there be many lines scatter
in the wrest, and rise to the hill of th
thomb, he that hath that signe, is in dan
ger to be afflicted, wounded, spoiled, ca
in prison by his kinred, or by those who
he most loued. If there begin certain
lines in the arme, & divide the wrest, an
ioyne together in the upper part: tha
man without doubt, shall dye in exile o
banishment. The which lines if they d
not fully close, but be somwhat distant
sunder: he shall end his life amongst fo
reine nations, far from his own countr

The same lynes tending to the Pomell of the hand, do foreshew long nauigations and iourneys by Sea, and an vnstable life to be spent in such sea peregrinations. Further, if there go a lyne directly frō the wrest to the hil of the forefinger it signifyeth a long iourney, or a difficult or doubtfull returne. Also if there rise a lyne at the Wrest, and run into the cane of the hand and be very red, it declareth the weaknesse and diseases of the body to come. But if it be pale, they be already past, & no more to be feared. If there be found in the hand of a woman a tryangle, tending from the wrest to the hil of the Moone: it sheweth her to haue ben corrupt, defyled, and deflour'd in her first youth and flower of her age. Moreouer, if there be about the wrest of a woman a little Crosse, I iudge her thereby both honest, wyse, and chast. Behold the figures of the good Fate of the Moon, when the space in the wrest next ỹ hand at the other next the toynt of the arme, be both of good and lyuely colour, hauing the foure incisions aforesayd: it betoke-

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neth all goodnesse. Againe, how hatefull are the three starrs, which threaten danger by accusation and slaunder.

Mark also going from the west to the Pomel of the hand, how manifest an argument of infelicity and euill fortune it is. Then that coming from the west to the hill of Iupiter, how it signifieth a forraine, and far distant life to be led. Another rising vpright, doth promise riches & fauorable fortune. Moreouer, ỹ signes which are in the hill of Iupiter: betoken riches, honor, & dignity. Also foure lines almost compassing ỹ arme (as you may see in the hand following,) are tokens of long life, & certain lynes going from the rest of the arm, making a sharp angle or corner, & a small crosse by them: do promise great quietnes of life, and to passe his time merely with promotion. But if the crosse be away; it doth only promise succession and heritage of many. If the crosse or certaine little starrs be there: that man shall lacke nothing necessarie to his life.

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If there bee found in the Wriest two large lynes, and the nether line be subtil it signifieth riches vntil the middle age, and after worship, but decrease and decay euery day more and more. If there rise out of the lyne lines two smal lines as it were supporting & holding vp one another, and certayn other lynes rise vp directly through the same to the naturall lyne it is a token of great integrity and declareth that man to be of a good conscience, the which through his behauiour shal come to great riches and prosperity, and also come to a good end: but yet it will bee the longer ere these things happen, if the lyne ascending be crooked and wrythen.

If that two lynes beginning at the Wriest do rise through the Palme to the hill of the Sunne or ring finger, and the same hill be diuided with two lynes ouerthwart: it signifieth a compasser or doer of great things: which shall haue rule and authority in kings businesse and affaires, and thereby get both great honour.

If in the wrest there bee seene a certayne grosse lyne, and then another subtiller and slenderer, and the third grosser & deeper then the other: it proposeth abundance of riches in the fyrst age or youth, infelycyty & poverty at the middle age, and in the third and laste age, recouery of all before lost, with increase of riches, and a quyet lyfe to the last ende. If there be two crooked lynes ascending to the hill of Iupiter, and vppon the fyrst ioynt of the same appeare two lynes going ouerthwart: it signifyeth increase of substance, by long Journeys and trauayles. The same lynes going to the hill of Mercury, betokeneth a man apt to many things, but not fortunate to great riches. But if they runne to the fynger of Saturne, there can be no worse signe: for he will all couetousnesse, and immoderate desire, enuy, and disdayne at another mans happines and welfare, and a mynde giuen to all euill.

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The sixt Chapter of the Triangle.

The Tryangle in the hand is Three lynes, (that is to say) the line of life the meane naturall Lyne, and the Lyne of the Liuer or Stomacke: which are so disposed & set, that they make ỳ forme of a triangle. And ỳ space inclosed within those lynes, is dinided into three parts or corners, whereof the first is made by the line of life, and the naturall line, and is called ỳ vpper angle. Th'other which is formed by the lyne of life, and the vtter part of the triangle; is called the sinister or left angle. The triangle being of equall angles, hauing lines faire, well coloured, and straight: doth represent the good quality of nature, and of the Body, with health and security of the minde, with fame and renowne, and also long life. And contrariwise, the lynes being darke, vnequall, not making a plaine Tryangle: doth declare the contrary. Further, if the space of the Tryangle bee wide and broade,

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it doth argue stout, liberall, and bold stomacke. Againe, if he be straite & short it betokeneth nigardy, couetousnes, and fearefulnes. If the plain within the pale declining to swarthnes: it signifieth an angry and a deceitfull person. Also, if it bee cut and diuided with many wrinkles: it sheweth the ill disposition of the body. Moreouer, the vpper angle is closed by the line of life, and the naturall line three maner of waies: first of al, if it close in ỹ cane of the hand ouer against the valley, betweene the forefinger and the middle finger: wee iudge thereby a miserable life, endangered with calamities and captiuitie, and a mind full of anxiety and care, and oftentimes as it were drowned and ouercome, and specially for the desire of money. Secondly, if it be well closed with a sharpe corner vnder the midst of the hill of the forefinger, it declareth a good nature, a quick wit, and good disposition, happy & prosperous succes, with integrity of manners and all these thinges are so much the greater if the angle be well and sharply

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The which Man if hee happen to com[illegible]
in Captyuyty or bondage, he shall neu[illegible]
recouer agayn his liberty. And if hée b[illegible]
stée, yet he shal dye miserably. The spa[illegible]
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a signe of anger and craft, and subtil-
ty: if it be rough with wrinckles, it sig-
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against the Finger of Saturne, making an angle: it betokeneth blood-shedding divers and sundry wayes: as wounds of the head, flixe of the belly, and if this signe be in Women, it signifieth the inordinant flure of the menstrue, and daunger in Child bearing. If there be in the Triangle a figure like a starre, it sheweth an adulterous woman, a past shame and furious, which through her irrefrenable anger, shall fall into such a frenzy and madnesse of minde, that she shal cast and go about to cut her owne throte. Whensoever you perceive in the hands of a woman in the place above sayd, a certayne starre putting forth a long rule: judge that woman to have 5. husbands. If in ỹ same place there be a crosse without any incision: it betokeneth good both in man and woman. For in those which have that signe, it betokeneth a life well passed, and to end with good name and fame. The right angle being very sharp doth shew a circumspect, witty, and sparing man: the same beeing obscure and grosse, is a signe of rudenes, slouth, and much

much giuen to sleep. The left angle that betokeneth a babler & crafty man, notwithstanding witty and painefull: but the vpper corner bee not sharpe and hauing as it were the character of Saturn it is a token of an euill and plaine Saturnine nature. And he whose fingers are so set, that there be in euery ioynt as it were certaine spaces or rifings crooked and vnequall: it betokeneth him to become very poore, and to liue miserably. If there be in the vpper part that is in the third ioynt, an euident wrything or crookednesse: it is a signe of enuy, discord, malice, and altogether of an euill disposed mind, which man also shall lead a life full of misery and calamity.

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the lust of the flesh. Also, in a man it i
a signe of euil. Further, if ther be in th
Hand of a Man about the right Angle,
an expresse playne Starre: it doth plain
ly declare an vntrusty, troublesome, de
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a théefe and robber, doing all things b
it right or wrong, by vyolence incline
and also instructed in all euill, who a
the length shall dye an euill death:
Small branches in the begining
of the lyne of life, or table lyne
doth betoken abundance
and increase of
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If a starre hauing a long stalke or braunch going from it, bee found in the Hand of a woman: it doth declare that she shall haue many husbands. As often as the two lines of the vpper corner bee distant a sunder with a space betweene them it is an euill signe. Also foure lynes diuiding themselues in the vpper corner in manner of a crosse: doe demonstrate an enuyous detractor, and a man of euill fame & name. When a figure as it were the caracter of Saturne, doth pronounce an euill end: the table line also fashioned as you may see, doth betoken an infortunate man, & giuen to the belly. If there be the figure of a Forke either vpward or downeward in the said triangle, it sheweth an inconstant and libidinous man.

The seuenth Chapter of the Quadrangle.

The Quadrangle is called that space which is betweene the line & ỹ mean naturall. Then if the incisions of this quadrangle be of a bright and liuely co-

lour, it doth promise the equity and vprightnesse of life: and contrarywyse, it doth declare a wicked and naughty man. The same spare, ample, and large: betokeneth liberality, and stoutnes of stomacke. A crosse also in the same place of the hand, signifieth good successe in ecclesiasticall ministrations, & is so much the more fortunate, if the figure be doubled or tripled like vnto a lattise: but if the same crosse be croked or vnadiuided with ouerthwart incisions, it doth prognosticate the contrary to al that is aforesaid. Moreouer, an euident starre in the same place, doth demonstrate a stout man, vpright, true, and of a good conscience. He which man although through aduersity and misfortune he fall into pouerty, yet hee shall rise agayne by his owne vertue and goodnesse: yet notwithstanding, it sheweth him to be a femynine man, which also shall suffer some aduersity and trouble for women.

Oftentimes also ȳ whole table is lacking: then if the table line ioyne with the naturall lyne, and begin a tryangle, it sheweth that man to bee in danger to be slaine by many that shall lie in waite for him. But if in the end of the table about the pommell of the hand there be a manifest crosse: iudge thereby many peregrinations, long iourneys, & often changing of place, but thereby good fortune. When the two Lynes which make the table, be far distant, with a great space betweene them it is a token of superfluous heat, and intemperate Humours in the body. Contrarywise, the plaine or table of the hand beeing narrow and straight, betokeneth a couetous man, carefull to get goods, & therwithall deadlye cruell. And this is sufficientlye spoken of the Principall inctions or lynes which are within the Hand. And consequently wee will intreate of ȳ rysings or hills of the fingers, and also of the fyngers themselues, with the stations of the Planets, and whatsoeuer else shall remayne needfull to be spoken of.

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You haue heard before declared what the caracters, lynes and crosses in the table of the hand, do signify and foreshew. The starre also in the middest of the table, doth shew a louer, and maintayner of all honesty and goodnesse, and therefore had in reuerence, and aspiryng to great dignity. And let this be a generall rule for all those whose hands doe quyuer and shake by nature, (for vnto many it happeneth by chaunce, and to othersome by sickenesse and diseases) to iudge them as angry Scolders, and brauiers, vncleane men and drunkards.

The Eight Chapter of the hilles of the Fingers; and first of the hill of the Thombe, called also amongst ancient writers the hill of Venvs.

NOw that there is sufficiently entreated of the principall lynes of ỹ Hand: we will also write of the particular incisions of the fingers, and of their hills: laying before your eyes their sig-

cations, with the natures of the Seuen planets, whereby you may know what is agreeable among them, and contrariwise what doth hurt. The rising or swelling of the flesh, beginning at ỹ lyne of life discending straite to the west, is called the hill of the thombe: it is also called the hil of Venus, because it is soft & plaine with very few or no wrinckles or incisions: & being ruddy & lyuely coloured: it sheweth the good quality and estate of the body, also a louer of women, & one delighting in cleanly and fine apparell. But if there appeare in the same place a short lyne going downward by the line of life, (& therfore is called the sister of the line of life) it signifieth a man delighting in venery. Notwithstanding, the same line being long, not broken of, wholy accompaning the lyne of life through doth promise continuall riches. But if it begin not in the vpper end of the hill, but peraduenture in the midst, or not farre from the nether end, it betokeneth lacke and penury in youth: but after abundance & plenty. Often also there be foure lynes

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equally distant, comming from the top of the hill to the wrest, which doe promise riches and honour euen in the first age: the which lynes if they begin not at the very top, but at the ioynt of the thombe, they doe promise the same successe, but longer and later to come to passe, euen in the extreame age. If ỹ same foure lines do ouyde the vpper ioynt of the thombe a little within the nayle, or be very neere the same ioynt, and be long, bright shining, they betoken present honour & ryches. And also rule and dominion if the same foure lynes be diuided or cut with other small lines going ouerthwart. Many times there is a subtil incision beginning at the top of the hill of the thombe, going toward the lyne of life, which signifieth that man shall dieby some stroake of weapon. Also, many bright lynes rising ouer against the forefinger, and diuyding the lyne of lyfe are tokens of many peregrinations and long iourneys into diuers places. The same lynes diuyding the lyne of lyfe in the vpper part or beginning, sheweth a Trauailer and

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an ambitious man, riotous, and vene-
rous. In some also a red line wandering
vp and downe the hill of the thombe, de-
toteneth incest, and carnall company
with his kindred. Albeit I would not
haue such credit giuen to his science, that
this should straite bee iudged true, the
Hand being looked vpon, for when wee
speake of accompanying with kindred,
wee would haue it vnderstoode, that
man to bee so enflamed with fleshly lust
and appetite, that there is but little hope
that he will abstayne from them. To the
which thyng it behoueth much, to be-
hold the face and whole body of the man,
which doth declare the state of lyfe to
come. For they which bee pleasant ma-
nered, leading a merry and iocund lyfe,
beeyng conuersant and reioycyng in
playes and daunces, haue small starres
in their hyll, for this is the whole study
of VENVS: and such men haue their
hill commonly dyuided with many small
and brycht incysions, whom if you doe
well behold, you shall see his face well
coloured, his body decently compact, his

eyes blacke and cléere, a pleasant countenance & honest gesture, and altogether venerous, and therefore wanton, ryotous, lecherous, delighting in dyce, play, dauncing, and o her pastimes, having pleasure in flowers, roses, & swéet smels costly apparell, desirous of gold and siluer, often laughing, conuersant amongst women, desirous and apt to learne all sciences of this sort and nature, and of a dull wit & vnderstanding to learne any other thing. Also light of beliefe, easy to be deceiued, liberall, gentle, iust & faithfull, delighting in paynted Pictures, and also desirous to learne to paynt himselfe, having good fortune in all thyngs of that sort: in the contraryes not so fortunate: whose life shal be pleasant with meane substance, nor couetous of lucre & gaine, beloued of many, giuen to all kynde of pleasure, not easily moued with anger, not careful about hard doubtfull busines, but content with his present estate, setting all anxiety & trouble of mynd apart, and so liuing to his last end. For likwise as in this, so in all other is the nature of

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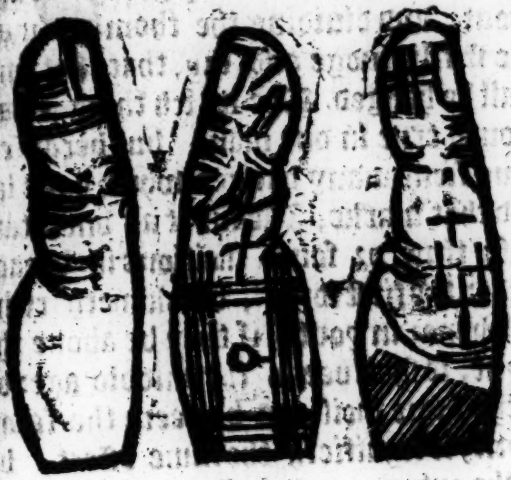
man to be considered, aswell by ẏ habite and proportion of the body, as by looking in the hand, wherfore that which is héere expressed, let it be an example to bée followed in all others. Further, they which haue the hill of the thombe diuyded with many smal wrincles not equally distant, but scattering and out of order, are to bée counted fleshly, vnpure, froward, and brawling, delighting to be in contention with women, burning so much in lust, that they be neuer satisfied, but séeke strange & vnaccustomed kinds of vse like vnto monsters & beasts, howbeit they be of an vnpleasant conuersation & life, delighting in no kind of wisedome or learning, neither profiting any thing at all therein, but very apt to learne all handycrafts, and to diuise & inuent all thinges pertayning to ryot. The cause of this I assigne to Venus, being in ẏ 6 or 8 house in the birth of such men. Whereby you may perceiue how Astrology, and Chyromancy doe mutually embrace each other, so that the one without the other cannot well be vnderstood, as shall bée shewed héereafter more at large.



Venus.

If there be about the first ioynt of the thombe a creſt like a ring going round about, and diuiding the thomber man doe ſtraight iudge and ſay, that that man ſhall be hanged. The which thing I haue proued true in one man, but becauſe I haue ſeene many hanges which haue lacked that marke, I leaue it as vncertain. Alſo three or foure incisions in breadth vnder the firſt ioynt, betokeneth riches and honor in youth; if they be aboue the ioynt, it ſhall bee in the middle age: but if the ſame incisions beneere the ſecond ioynt, it ſignifieth the ſame effect, but in the extreame and laſt age. If any woman haue her Thombe ſo marked (as is deſcribed in the ſecond figure) I iudge her to be eſchewed and auoyded, as craftie and naught. Alſo this marke ⊙ in the midſt of the hill of Venus: ſignifieth a libidinous, euill mannered, and adulterous woman, willingly putting forth her ſelfe to whoredome & vice, wonderful vntemperate, & vnſatiable in copulation. Further, what maried woman hath three

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lynes somewhat vnequally distant, diuiding the first ioynt of ỹ thombe: it sheweth her to be in danger either of death, or of a wound by her owne husband. Moreouer many small crosses vnder the second ioynt, declareth a very holy woman, giuen to religion. Agayne, onely two of those markes, doth signyfy an vnfaythfull babler, and a woman full of stryfe and discord. And many small braunches in the same place doth betoken a wanton woman, and one soone ripe.

The nynth Chapter of the hill of the fore-finger, and of the finger, with the nature of the *Ionials*.

IVpiter the most beneficiall planet of all, hath his place in ỹ hil which is vnder the forefynger, the which hill being plaine and smoth, doth shew vnto thee honesty of lyfe and goodnesse of Nature. And so much the rather, if there be certayne small darke riuels going out from the same finger, the which if there be

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not farre distant: it declareth honour and dignity by princes. And some being bolder, doe define and say, that he shall attaine to so many degrees of honour, & ecclesiasticall dignities, as there be such incisions in his hand. It is also a token of magnytude and boldnesse, desire, and study to compasse great thinges: as also a desire of renowne and glory, when a straite cleare lyne beginning at the roote of the forefinger, almost at the meane naturall lyne, doth turne back againe to the corner of the hill. A small lyne also going from the table line to the hill of the forefinger: doth signifie the same aforesayd. If that certaine ouerthwart rinals do diuyde the lyne aforesayd, they betoken wounds in ỹ head. Also a grosse, bright, and ruddy lyne, dyuyding the forefinger from the middle finger in a man, doth betoken the sickenesse of the trayle of bowels: in a woman it signifieth daunger in Child bearing, and so much the more daunger, if it be twayned. Moreouer, crosses in the hill of Iupiter, do signifie honour, and promotions in so many

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that sooner obtaine their desires. For the most part alwayes in fauor with Princes or great men, louing dearely their wife and Children. Also prosperous and happy in succession and posterity.

Moreouer they bee greate eaters, and therefore often diseased with the rawenesse of the stomacke or liuer, or els long liued, hauing a cleare and shrill voyce and the formost two vpper teeth sticking out. And thus much of them on whose birth Iupiter is Lord, without coniunction of any euill with him. Furthermore many liues going ouerthwart in the vpper ioynt of the forefinger in the hand of a woman, do declare that shee shall haue large inheritance by the death of her friends and kindred. The same in the middle ioynt, do signify enuy, lying and deceit: which signes if they be in the hill of Iupiter doe minister suspition of an angry, testy, vnmannerly, and scoulding woman.

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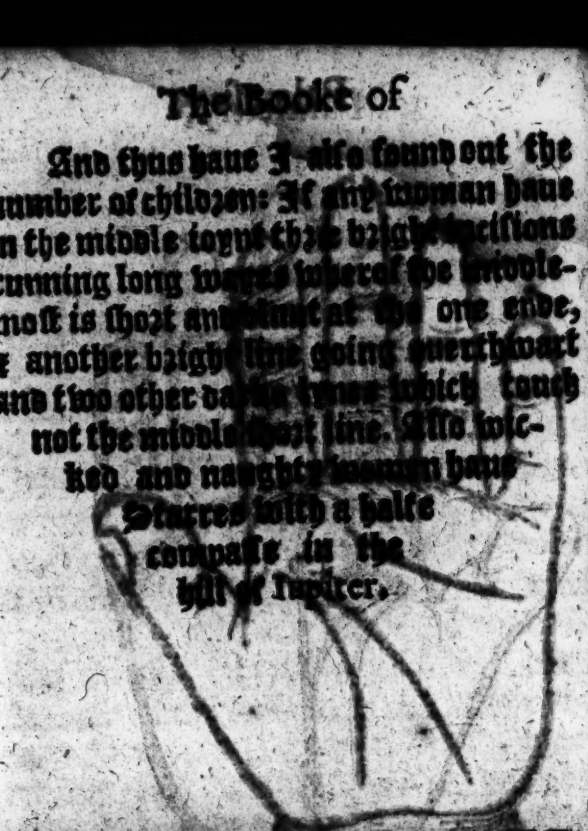
And thus haue I also found out the number of children: If any woman haue in the middle ioynt thrie bright incisions running long wayes wherof the middlemost is short and blunt at the one ende, & another bright line going ouerthwart and two other darke lynes which touch not the middle short line. Also wicked and naughty women haue Starres with a halfe compasse in the hill of Iupiter.



The same also doe declare these crooked lynes almost equallye distant within the vtter ioynt of the forefinger. Contrarywise, it is a token of honestie and chastitie, when the middle ioynt is diuided with many lines going in length, with a Starre in the middest: also it promiseth great inheritances or riches to come, (whether it be by order of inheritance, or of ecclesiasticall dignities or promotions) vnto him that hath a cleare Starre not interrupt with any line or winckle in the hill of Iupiter. A line going from the hill of the middle finger to the west sheweth fearfull and weake hearted men but notwithstanding enuious. Some also affirme, that those which haue that line, if they chance to be taken and cast in prison either they shall dy there, or be grieuously punished, or verye hardly escape and be deliuered.

The X. Chapter of the hill of the middle finger, appropriate to Saturnus of the finger it selfe, with the nature of the Saturnines.

THe middle finger of the Hand as is aforesaid in this science, is attributed vnto Saturne, and called by his name, & therefore the rising vnderneath it, is also called the hill of Saturne. The which hil if it be plaine & smoth without winckles or incisions, it declareth a simple man painfull, and without deceit. If that a rinell comming from the table line doe cut the hill of Saturne, it signifieth a carefull man, disquieted and vexed with daily troubles and cares, alwayes studying and musing on something, notwithstanding seldome rich. Like many incisions in the same place, do declare an heynie & penifull life, full of penury & necessity, prisonment, & torments. Likewise, a line bowing from the roote of the Ring finger to the hill of Saturne, sheweth a slouthfull and sluggish man, foolish, and

rash, neuer doing any thynge wittyly, albeit sometyme foolish, bold, of a foolish and rude mynde and vnderstanding. They say also, that woman which hath more lynes betwéene the Fingers of the Sunne and Saturue, then betwéene the Sunne vnd Mercury, there béeing some lynes also, to be apt to generation, & specially of men children. This also I know certayne, that if any small lines go from the princypall lynes of the hand, to the hill of Saturne, they declare an euill dysposition, and not a very honest lyfe. It is also iudged a token of sterilyty and barrennesse in a woman, to haue a crosse or a starre in the first ioynt of the Fynger. And those which haue the Hill dyuersly dyuyded with rules, the other hill béeing smooth and playne, are to be iudged Saturnins, whose nature for the most part is to be pale coloured, vncomely visaged their eies sized downeward to ye ground, in going slow, leane, and oftentymes crooked backed, & for the most part euyll manered. For Saturne maketh them malitious, deceitfull, and crafty, delighting

to be alone, regarding no man, without all friendship. Not very curious about their meates, great drinkers, and oftentimes great eaters, continually disquieted with cares and mysteries, never free from them, full of heauy and fearefull thoughts & imaginations, louing fewnes

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bodyed, sickly, of a low voice, hoarse
and stutting, lightly enuying other as
whom they hate, they persecute continu
ally without remission. Their delight is
to build, to plant, plaie, and all things
that will continue, hauing no great
pleasure in women, and therefore sel
dome hauing Children, but dying with
out issue. Wonderfull defenders and
keepers of their Liberty, iudging it ex
treame miserie and euill to serue and be
in bondage delighting in blacke, & there
fore clothing themselues therewith, full
of suspition and feare, giuing greate re
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fiue lines in the first ioynt of the myddl
finger running downeward, shall bear
a Sonne which shalbe a Theefe. Al
so that man which hath a starre
in the same ioynt, shall
either kill or be
killed.

The Eleuenth Chapter of the ring finger and hill, and the nature of them borne vnder the Sunne.

The hil of the ringfinger, called also of most learned men the hill of the Sunne, is that which riseth in a certaine space betwéen the finger and the Table line, if there proceed from the rote therof to the Table lyne, certaine small lynes, they worke the same effect that Mercurie doth amongst the Astrologians, which make a man of a pregnant and quick wit, giuen to diuers kinde of learning, proude, and eloquent, also fortunate to promotions, as well prophane as spirituall. But if there bee other lynes drawen ouerthwart them, or that they diuide one another,

another: it signifieth the cleene, contrary. But if the same lines do not touch or diuide the other, it is a good token that hee shall ouercome & tread down all his enemies. The which, if they neither touch the finger, neither be equally placed from the table line, but hanging betweene according to the alteration of the lines: they note the change of estate and life. Also many slender red lynes in the same hill, do shew a wife & a merry mā, the which lynes if they be crooked & red, betoken diseases wherewith a man is presently vexed and troubled, If they be pale, paine is already past. Againe if they diuide themselues like a saint Andrews crosse, streched from the table line to the first ioynt: it signifieth a prouident and circumspect man in doing his businesse. There is also another token pronouncing fortunate things, especially in getting of honour and dignity, & all things pertayning to vertue, liberalitie, and wisdome: which are two crooked lines equally distant going from the wrest, as you may perceiue by this figure.

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Also many lines in the hand of a woman about the vpper ioynt running together, do shew the same. And moreover that she shall be had in reuerence & made sick by her husbandes: also they shew her to be deuout, but not to leade no manifestall life. So likewise, if they lie in

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the second ioynt, they declare that she shall alwayes bee had in reputation and honor, but amongst them of her owne stocke. Alwayes they signify riches, aswell in men, as in women. But they are evill if they stretch to the hill of the Sunne.

The Twelueth Chapter of the hill and Finger of Mercury, and of his Nature

The hill of the eare finger or rather of MERCVRY, is betwiene the little Finger and the Table lyne. It is greatlye materiall whether it is playne without incisions or vaynes. For it being well colored without wrinkles

kels, sheweth a constant mind in a man, in a maide integritye. A slender line rising at the table to ẏ roote of the hill, be tokeneth liberality. Also many such lines beginning betwéene The table line, and the little finger, signifieth so many marriages as there bée lines. Notwithstanding, the length, colour, and slendernes of them must be marked: for the pale lines signifie mariages past, the long & well colored then to come. It hapeneth often some of them to be grosse and very red, whereby thou shalt iudge a lyar, a théefe, & robber, and one defiled with all kind of mischiefe. Now if there be a crooked line, as it were a circle going from that finger to the middle finger, it declareth an excellent wit and disposition, in whom there is great hope that hée will be apt and prompt to all kynd of assayres If there be smal crooked lynes in the upper part of the little finger in the hand of a woman, it sheweth a condition proper to all women, which is pride, much talke and babling, with inconstancy. And this

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for the most part is the Phisiognomy of all the Mercurians; meane coloured betwéene blacke and whyte, his fore-head, round face, fayre eyes like a cat, blacke and thin beard, slender body, comely stature, thin lips, sharpe nose, shrill voice & ready, a quicke motion and stirring. If thou wilt foreknow this by the hill, if it be full of strait lines, he is also of a pregnant wit, bold, a whoremonger, faythfull, ready to lye, a louer of his owne sects, a hater of superstitiō, not regarding temples nor oracles, apt to all scyence Mathematicall and Geometrie. Fynally, a man fit for all assaies, a doctor, a Poet, endued with the knowledge of tongues, a sorcher of secrets, a Philosopher, hurty, modest, but full of wordes, hurting no man, delighting in the cleannest handy crafts, as in painting and such like. Albeit, he is more vexed with sickness, and troubled with delusions of spirits, than other men.

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There be also certaine tokens, where-
of the first in the first ioynt doth declare
a man to be studious, cheiefly of Retho-
rike, arrogant, proud, and of a ripe wit.
That in the second ioynt although it va-
ry from the first, yet hath it the same ef-
fect, sheweth an excellent Preacher or
Orator, if it stand ouerthwart: hee is
troubled with sondry passions, horrible
dreames, and euill fantasies. If in the
third ioynt there bee a crosse, it is a sure
signe of pouerty and necessity. And
this is sufficient of Mercury, although
the figure do not containe all the signes,
yet wee haue described the cheefest and
principall, for who can comprehend so
many sorts of lines and tokens of so di-
uerse dispositions in so small a rome: we
haue left nothing out in the can-
non or Rule, which might
bee to any effect or
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The xii. Chapter of the vtter part of the triangle, and of them ouer whom the Moone hath power and Dominion.

First of all I will declare what the Chiromanciers call the vtter part of the Tryangle: it is the same which by the common name is called the Lyne of the stomacke or Lyuer: which rysing at the tayle of the line of life touching ẏ meane naturall, maketh a triangle, if there bée not let in the natiuity. Albeit, I know in some it doth not ioyne, yet it is not to be left out, for it is found to be of as much force as all the other, for if it make a perfect triangle with ẏ mean naturall & line of life, it sheweth the florishing health & prosperity both of body & mind

mind. If it happen to be darke, coloured & full of points, it sheweth the ill digestion of the stomacke, morphew, collicke, flegme, binding of the belly, paine of the stomacke and ribbes, and specially if it be pale. But if it be well drawen, ruddie, nearer the line of life then the middle naturall, it be tokeneth paine in ẏ head; if contrarywise, it be nearer the middle naturall it signifieth the inflamation of the lungs, annexed with a feruent ague, the cough, and stinke of the mouth. Also such a circle in the place of the Mone, ⊙ although it seeme to be but a rift, yet it betokeneth ẏ losse of one eye, if there be two ⊙⊙, the losse of both eyes. which thinge I haue proued true by my owne hurt. Likewise a star in the same place, signifieth a wicked and mischieuous man. If you desire to know the Phisnomy of the lunaticks, they be whitely faced with some red, their browes ioyned together, their face and chockes blowen, vnequall eyed, somwhat black, peraduenture marked in the face, vntheifty, sickly, vnstable slow, foolish, poore in youth, in the second

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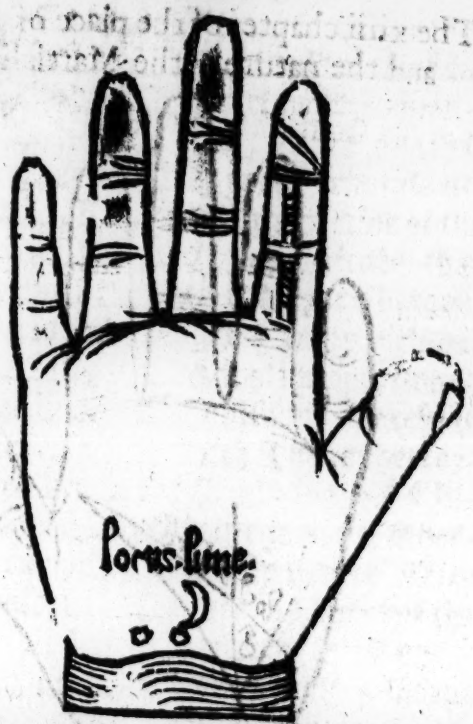

ages richer somewhat. But in ỹ extreame age miserable agayne, doting, vnfortunate, and borne to trauaile, giuen to the falling sickenesse and Palsie, to the sire and blasting, except the Moone in the roote of Natiuity haue the Sunne or Iupiter propice and in amity with her.

The xiiii chapter of the place of Mars and the nature of the Martialistes.

MARS.

VVe thought it méte before wee spake of Mars, to place him in cane of the hand in the triangle, ouer a gainst the natural line, in the which if there appeare another perfit triangle according to all ỹ natural properties of the Marcialists, you may prognosticate, that by how much the same is larger & bigger, the man is to be iudged ỹ more vicious. And specially if it bée well proportioned with the lines. The Phisnomy herein is not to be despised, which I haue therfore adioyned because it should helpe ỹ Chiromancier ỹ better in iudgement, otherwise it cannot be so exactly iudged. They be bie colored in the face, as burnt of the Sunne, thin haired, & curled, small eyes, somewhat crooked bodyed, with a sharpe and fierce aspect, bould, couetous, deceitfull, a briber, vnfaithful, a iester, vnshamefast, lyght, vnconstant, angry, seditious, suspicious, impatient, a murderer, a boaster, a mocker, periured and a counterfeiter of all thinges that may be counterfeited.

¶ The Conclusion of this worke of CHYROMANCY.

Chiromanticall prognostication or manuall diuinations, according to the places of the seuen *Planets*.

BEsides the Caracters & lynes which are commonly in the Hand, there doth often appeare straunge notes and markes, which betoken some great vnknowne thing, wherefore our intent now is to shew their effect and meaning. We haue shewed before the natures of the signes, and what Planet is Lord of euery man, now, wee will attempt to know what suspect tokens bee in the Planets, I meane not those in the heauens, but their caracters which be in the fingers, of what force they be.

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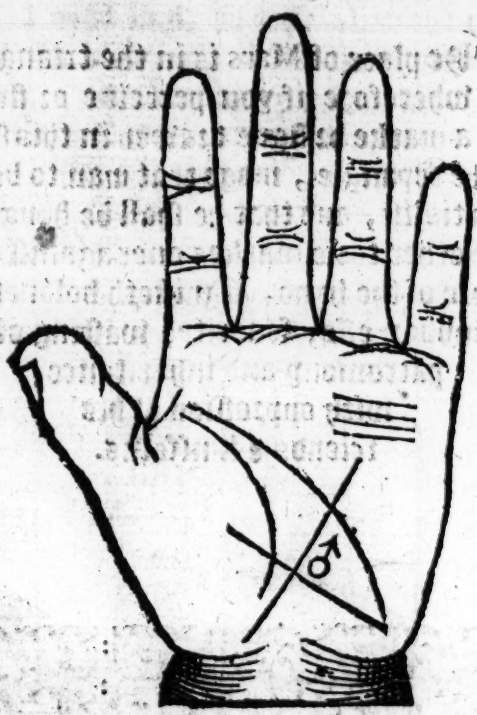
Of the places of *Mars*.

The place of Mars is in the triangle, wherefore if you perceive or finde such a marke or signe drawen in this sort in the tryangle, iudge that man to bee a Martialist, and that he shall be hanged. The other three markes ouer against the Table of the hand, signifieth boldnesse, stubbornesse, seuerity, wasting of patromony and inheritance, with oppression of his friends & kinsfolks.



Of the finger of *Venus*.

VEnus possesseth the Thombe & the hill therof, which for ỹ plaines of it, is called the hill of Venus: if there be in the first ioynt such a marke, they shal prosper in all their affaires. In the se-

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cond ioynt, it betokeneth pouertie; and nére the naile, that he shall haue a leaprous child, or else in the place of Venus, if she weth a venerous man, giuen to incest and aduitrie, and specially if the markes be in the hill.

Of the finger of *Iupiter*.

IVpiter hath also his proper markes, who possesseth ỳ fore finger, as is here prescribed: in the first ioynt they signify an adulterer, and in the vpper ioynts ryches, & specially in age. The other signs for the most part betoken no ill.

Of the fingers of *Saturne*.

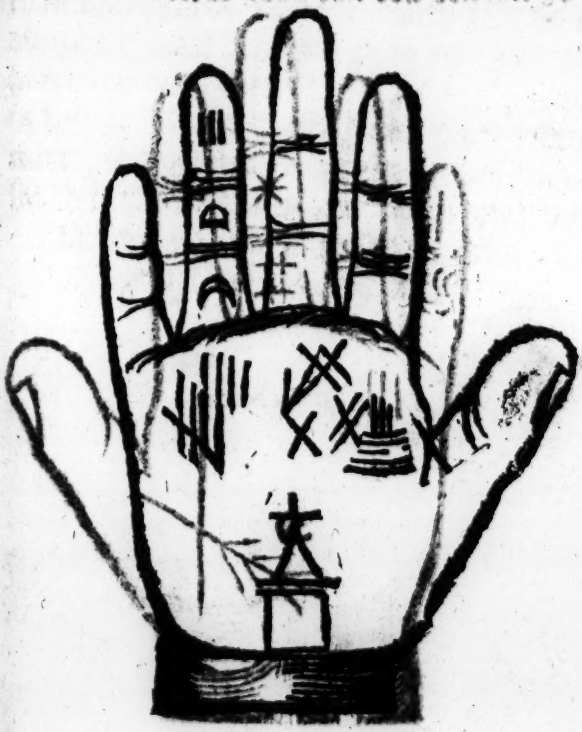
SAturne the highest among them hee-peth the middle finger with his priuate charects heere described, which declare a Saturnine man, whose nature, you may partly gather by that which is aforesaid, and partly we will define more at large heereafter.

Of the Finger of the Sunne.

A Line portured in this sort appearing in the King finger, called properly the finger of the Sunne, signifieth long life, and prosperity: all other apparances are tokens of euill.

Of the finger of Mercury.

THey haue appoynted vnto Mercury the little finger with certayne lines, whereby you may perceiue and know a Mercurial here briefly expressed, they be token benefits or offices, all other signify sadnesse, melancholy, and heauinesse.



Of the fore-part of the *Moone*.

The place of the Moone is in the Pal-
mell of the hand. Wherefore if thou
perceiue the lines here described ryling
from the wriſt, it ſheweth ſluggiſhneſſe:
in the place of Iupiter idlneſſe and fo-
liſhnes, and ſpecially in women, which
by nature are not very wiſe.

The conclusion.

YOu haue heard (deare Reader) the signes and markes of ỳ planets, by the which without Astrologie you may learne and know vnto what planet euery Man is subiect. Desiring you to take this our Treatise in good worth, & to make a proofe thereof with labour & diligence, least that we may be thought herein to haue spent our time and labour in vaine. There lacketh but only iudgment, the labour or payne is nothing: for so much as the whole effect may be vnderstood and knowen by once or twice reading at the most.

Fare ye well.

The second Booke entreateth of an Epilogue, or briefe collection of the whole summe of the Art of PHISIOGNOMY. By the which you may vnderstand and perceiue, what euery member from the Crowne of the head, to the sole of the foot, doth signifie and meane. Also a breise introduction vpon the faces of the signes, with certain Canons and rules, vpon sicknes and diseases. And first to begin with the EYES.

THe Eyes therefore being moist and cleare, sheweth mirth, good manners, and an honest life: declyning and looking downeward, red, and very great, betokeneth gluttony, and fleshly lust. Small hollow eyes, couetousnesse. Gray eyes an euill man: hollow eyes, a crafty man, wauering: vnstable eyes, declare a seditious, suspitious, vnfaithfull boaster. Great eies sloth, trembling eies sluggishnes: glistering eies betoken drunkenes, small vnchamefastnes diuers coloured & small, signifieth crafty flattering. Turning toward the Nose, beto-

betokeneth lecherous men. Great dropping eies with an vnstable countenance, mad men. Dry eies, crafty men. Blacke cleare eies, iust, witty, lybidinous, & cunning. The circle of the ball grene, declareth a crafty wicked man, and a Theefe. Moist eies stoutnes of stomacke, perfect speech & good counsell. Great glistering eyes shew mad men, light, and gluttons. Crooked hollow and dry eies, declare vnfaithfull and traiterous persons. High eyes, large, cleare, pure, & moist, are tokens of circumspect, diligent persons, & louers. Alwayes running and dropping without cause of sicknes, declareth foolishnes. Misty dry eies, vnfaithfull men, Large eies glistering, moist, & clere: signifieth witty, & high men, violent stout, & boasters. Blacke & shining eies fearefull and euill men. Swelling eies and raw, sheweth gluttons and vnamiable Men. Small & hollow eyes, couetous, deceitfull men. Chereful eies betoken iust men, prone to laughter, gentle, & holy. Moyst eyes, good counsel, winking eyes a theefe and a lier in wait, Bleared eyes, libidi-

nous men. Upright browes, amiable, the browes hanging ouer effeminate playing with the bries, signifieth adulterous persons.

The forehead narrow, sheweth a foolish person: long, one apt to learne. A hie forehead swelling and round, is a signe of a crafty mã & a coward. Full of wrinkles, ful of cares: round, enuious & crafty. A large forehead betokeneth a liberal man the browes hairy, doe signifie stutting: and beeing extent to the temples, vncleanelinesse.

The face plaine and flat, declareth a man full of debate and strife: without any rising or swelling, iniurious, and an vncleane person. A leane face is a token of a wise man. A fleshly face one apt to learne. A sad face sheweth sometime foolishnesse, sometime wisdome.

Open eares betokeneth a man without reasõ or vnderstanding: great eares an vnwise mã, smal eares a fole, square eares a learned and wise man.

A sharpe nose sheweth an angry person: thicke and low, euill manners. The nose tending or stretching to the mouth declareth

declareth honesty, strength and apt to learning. A greate nose good, a little nose a deceitfull person. A nose like an ape, betokeneth a libidynous & ryotous person.

The nose-thrilles thicke and strong, betokeneth strength: round, fayre, drawē in lēgth, merry & corragyous: ỹ nosethrils narrow and round are tokens of a fole.

A bigge mouth sheweth a bould and hardy wariour. The mouth very bigge with the vpper lippe hanging ouer, signifieth a glutton and an vngodly man, a babler, rash, folysh, and vnstedfast.

Slender, thin, and subtile lipes, betoken eloquence, but thin, lips with a little mouth, an effeminate persō. Fleshly lips a fole. And they whose dogge tēth doe beare out thier lippes, are to be counted cōtumelyous, slaūderers, & vnkaythfull a sharp throt boll signifieth a vain iester

A long slender necke declareth a fearefull euill mannered man: thicke and long a furyous, fearefull, and stubborne persō

A meane necke, a strong and vertuous man, and apt to learnyng. A thicke necke sheweth rude, barbarous, and vngentle

perſons. Sharp neck a ſlaunderous perſon. A ſhort neck raſhnes. A croked neck a couetous man. The neck turned to the right ſide: ſhews a temperat man. Turned to ỹ left ſide a whoremaſter & a ſole.

A great breſt is alway prayſed, a large breſt doth repreſent magnanimity, boldneſſe, and honeſty. A little breſt a fearefull perſon. Purſy or groſſe breaſt, an vngentle and cruell man.

The pappes hanging downe from the breaſt, doth ſhew a violent man.

A great belly declareth an indiſcreet ſolish man, proud, and ryotous. A lanke belly with a bigge breaſt, a man of vnderſtanding and counſell.

A broad backe declareth gentleneſſe, The meane proportion both of the backe and breaſt, is alway commendable: a croked backe is token of a niggard, and couetous perſon.

Very long armes are ſign of boldnes, honeſty, & ſtrength, ſhort armes a ſower of diſcord and ryot.

The hands very ſhort doth ſignifie a groſſe & rude perſon: fat and fleſhy with

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the finger likewise, inclined to theste.
Small hands crafty men.
The fête full of flesh declareth foolishnes.
Small and slender fête, hardnesse.

Slender leggs shew ignorant grosse leggs, boldnesse, and strength Large and full of sinnows, fortitude, & strēgth short & fat legs. cruelty. Croked & hollow inward, is a token of very ill men. Soft & swelling leggs, euill mannered men.

The shinne grosse and shorte with a sharpe héele and fat thighes, doe prognosticate madnesse or frensie to come or happen to that party.

Thus haue you here these briefe introductions to this art of phisiognomy, by the which a man may iudge the dispositions of other. Following herein Aristotle and Valla, whs did the like, by whose helpe we haue performed herein that we may or can. Wherefore, if any man will slaunder vs, let him know that we haue not written any comentaries, but a compendious treatise of this science, and thus an end.

Briefe introductions vpon the faces of the ſignes, what effect the Sunne doth worke in euery houſe or manſion.

NOw that wée haue fully propoſed and alſo fully determined, aſwell, to inſtruct, as to induce and allure the ſtudyous and deſirous to the ſtudy & knowledge of Aſtrologie, and that there be many things to bé obſerued and marked therein: as the ſituation and placing of the houſes, and the iudgments of the Horoſcope: we thinke now only to remaine neceſſary to intreate or ſpeake of the faces or triplicities of the ſignes, and of their worke and effect in euery degrée For the Sunne and euery other Planet haue diuers and ſundry effects in each degrée & face, working one thing in the firſt triplycity, another in the ſecond, and a farre different and contrary operation in the third face. The which that you may the better vnderſtand, euery ſigne

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is dyuided into thirty degrées. The same thirty beeing parted agayne into 3 parts ỳ first part or order to ten, doth make the first face or triplycity, and all which chmoth betweene ten & twenty, it attributs to the second: & that which remaineth to the thirtye degrée, is added to the third face. And in this mãner must you diuide al ỳ other signes: & these degrées as they increase in number, so do they in force & strength. So toward the end they bee of lesse power then they were in the beginnyng or middest of the Triplicyty, & specially in the last faces or Triplicities. These notes and others wee haue drifelye drawen or taken out of Abraham, Haly, Alcabitius, Firmicus, and such others. Wherefore, if any Zoylus or enuious person will obiect or demaund why wee ioyne these thinges to our dooinges: we answere, that those learned men did not fully and distinctly write the whole effects, which a perfect Astrologicyan myght altogether doe. But rather to admonish their owne Disciples and schollers, then to teach others.

And

And these thinges thus beeing touched, we will proceed to speake of Aries.

The sunne in the first face of Aries ♈.

THe Sunne in *Aries* which is ỹ first and principall signe, amongest the Twelue, and in the first Ten degrées of the same, doth commonly make those which bee then borne, red coloured small visaged lanke and slender bellied, and leane, marked in the left foote or elbow, hauing many friends, hating euill, and louing all that is good.

In the second face which is from the x degrée of *Aries*, to the twenty degrée of the same, it maketh them blacke colored, the which blakneſſe is not reputed as any vice or deformity, but for a comelines and great ciuility, They bee also of a meane ciuilty angry, suspitious, deceitfull, and harty, compassed and beset with many enemies, which shall pursue him euen vnto death.

In the third face, it maketh them oftentimes red, inclining to a saffron colo solitary, and deuising crafts & deceits.

The sunne in the first face of Taurus ♉

Maketh them that be borne apt or diligent, greate eyed, and great lips: marked in the necke, but very merry, and alwaies occupied in riot and banqueting.

In the second face, it maketh them wanton and riotous (but not so much as in the first face) runners about Countreys, and vnstedfast.

In the third face, it causeth a colder complexion because of Saturne which doth possesse this last face, and bringeth the paynes or diseases of the eares, belly, and thighes.

The sunne in the first face of Gemini ♊.

WHosoeuer happeneth to be borne ☉ Sun being in the first Face of Gemini, is for the most part of a meane stature, well bodied, euery member decently compact, marked in the head or knees, gentle and paineful, vnfortunate through women, and commonly no issue.

In the second face, it doth minish the stature, adding blacknes of colour, marked in the elbow or privy members, and that which seemeth to be garnished or wan-

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wanting in the other partes, is repayred and fulfilled with eloquence.

In the declynation of the third face, it maketh them to decrease in honesty and the due proportyon of the members, makyng them folysh, and inuenters and spreaders abroad of iests & vayne trifles.

The Sunne in Cancer 69.

THey which are borne in ỹ first x. degrées of Cancer, are comly both of body and haire, narrow browes quicke and pregnant witted, marked in the right arme & thighs, hauing a good spirit and disposition, and plenty of friends.

In the second face red, haires, short stature without any beard, and marked in the eyes.

In the third face it maketh thē grosse and dull, with hairy browes full of itch and as it were blowne or puffed vp in the face.

The sunne in Leo ♌.

SO in the first face of Leo, is the gift of life, and it maketh thē of a smal comely body, reddy coloured, mixed with some white

white, rouling eyes, straight body, ful of diseases in their fete & specially in age: famous and notable, simple and beloued of the kings, and rulers of the earth.

In the second face, it maketh the large brested, the stones and prime members, slender, harty and honourable.

In ỳ third face short of stature, rose coloured, mired with white, vexed with much sicknesse, a whoremonger, and louer of women,

The sunne in Virgo ♍.

THe sunne possessing the first face of Virgo, causeth a comely stature, high and tall body, a fayre face, witty, prudent & quicke, curled haire, a player of Instruments, with a quicke and shrill voyce learned in many sciences, but vnfertill and barren in hauyng or bringing forth of Children.

In the second face, it maketh them like wise comly coũtenanced, small eies, fair nose, religyous, learned, honest, without blame or reproch, & desirous of prayse.

Under the third face, simple, fayre, apt witty, prudent, and good.

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The sunne in the first face of Libra ♎.

BEeing a signe of a manly shape or forme, causeth a faire face, a simple, painefull and modest person, which shall bee wounded in the head.

In the second face it maketh likewise a faire face, but bleare eied, or squint eied, for they shal haue some default in them.

In the third face, it maketh them honorable, reuerent, and comely: in the end of this face it maketh them oftentimes of both kinds, & let them take heed they take no venomous thing.

The sunne in Scorpio ♏.

CAuseth them which are borne to bee euill fauored, marked in the head or shoulders, or in the left foot or arme, large brested, merry, and pleasant in giuing checks or taunts, sober, and discreet.

In the second face, it causeth a great head, and a great babler, marked in the knees or backe.

And vnder the third face, maketh a small and little stature: gogle eied, a glutton or great eater, and a whoremonger.

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The Sunne in Sagitarius ♐.

MAketh them of a comely countenance and tall stature, belonging to the Court, studious and desirous of good thinges.

Under the second face, it causeth a cõly and faire countenance & stature, inclined to a saffron colour, thin browes, and marked in the brest.

In the third face tall and comly, large & big brested, marked in the brest, & foot.

The Suune in Capricorne ♑.

MAketh oftentimes a large breast, a tender & soft person, of a competent stature, but somewhat black coloured, marked in ỹ elbow of ỹ brest, crafty.

In the second face, faire, marked in the left arme, but if the natiuity bee by night it maketh them malicious, long nosed, and quicke witted.

In the third Face, it causeth a comely body, a citryne face, marked in the arme or knee, angry, louely, and a louer of women.

The Sunne in the first face of Aquarius ♒.

The *Sunne* in the firſt face of Aquarius, maketh a comely body and face, marked in the breſt or left foot, alſo benigne, eaſy and gentle to bee ſpoken to tractable & familyar amongſt men.

Under the ſecond face it maketh them very long, red face, marked in the backe or elbow, endamaged with many verations or tribulations.

In the third face it cauſeth a ſhort ſtature, roſe colored countenance marked under the elbow, and a louer of women: but if it happen him to be borne in the laſt degree hee ſhall not only be different and contrary diſpoſed in the proportyon of the body, but in all his actyons and doings.

The ſunne being found in Piſces ♓.

Cauſeth a ſoft body, white, bigg breſt comly berd, fayre forehead clere ſkyn large & fayre eyes, full of fleſh, & honeſt.

In the ſecond face, and equal and ſhort ſtature, blacke beard, thin hayred, nimble and merry

In the thyrd face it maketh the̅ comly and decent in all membors and gineth

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also clearnesse of sound or voice.

This also we haue iudged worthy to be noted and marked, that in Artificiall Astrology there bee certayne formes or signes, which doe cause greatnesse or bignesse, as Leo, Virgo, Sagitarius: and certaine which cause diuination, or making lesse, as Pisces, Cancer, Capricorn. The beginnings also of Aries, Leo, and Taurus, doe cause bodies to tend to grossenesse and strength: the ends of the same, do contrariwise cause leanesse, tenderness, and debility: likewise the beginnings of Gemini, Scorpio, and Sagittarius, cause leanes and debilytie, and the ends of the same, grossnes, and strength but virgo, Libra, & Sagitarius cause equallytie and good proportion. Taurus, scorpio, and Pisces, as Halye writeth, do worke and cause diuers and vnequall proportion of the body.

For they which are borne in the day, are clearer then they which are borne in the Night: For the night doth helpe the planets, signifying obscuritie and blacknesse. Also the Moone in

coniunction with Mercury, in the houre of Natiuity, and not beeing ascendant: causeth the falling sickneſſe, and specyally if Saturne bee in any angle in the day birth: or Mars in the night Birth. Also Saturnus in any of the angles, eyther in the night or day birth, causeth madneſſe, and specially when Cancer Virgo, or Piſces, are found in any of the angles. Moreouer, Saturne in the houſes of the lights: that is to say, the ſunne or Moone, which are Cancer & Leo, if it betokeneth the paſſion or hurt of the eye.

These ſignes, Aries, Cancer, ſcorpio, Capricorne, & Piſces: do ſignifie & cauſe biles, leproſie, red ſpots, itches, ſcurfes, deafeneſſe, ſtutting, baldneſſe, and a ſmall beard.

Cancer, ſcorpio, and piſces, are ſignes of many Sonnes or men Children. Also theſe ſignes betoken the honeſty of Women, their Religion and purity of lyfe, Taurus, Leo, Aquarius.

These ſignes haue reaſon, & are called reaſonable ſignes, Gemini, Virgo, Libra the firſt part of ſagitarius & all Aquarius

Signes

Signes mouing to anger and sharpenesse, are Aries, Leo and Scorpio.

Moreouer, Gemini, Virgo, and Libra make great, loud, & shrill voices, cancer, Scorpio, and pisces, are dumbe, & without voice or sound.

There be three Planets which do giue riches: that is to say, Iupiter, the sunne and venus. The sunne also giueth wisdome, Mercury eloquence, and venus goodly vtterance or pronounciation.

There be also three signes orientall or of the east. Aries is ỹ heart of ỹ east. Leo the second triplicity, and the left part of th'east, & sagitarius his right part or side capricorne is the heart of the South, Taurus the left side, and virgo the right. Libra is the heart of the West, Aquarius the left side, and Gemini the right.

Cancer is the heart of the North scorpio his left part, and last of all pisces his right side.

Wherefore, if you will know to what end this respect or disposition of the signs doth prolong or attaine, you shall briefly heare. We haue sayd there be three

ſignes oꝛiental, oꝛ of the eaſt, thꝛée meꝛidionall, thꝛée pertaining to the Nooꝛth, and thꝛée to ỳ Weſt. the oꝛiental ſignes pꝛofite vs if that they riſing, and the ſun being in them, we oꝛder & direct all our doings to that coaſt, part, oꝛ place.

As if thou wilt leade an healthfull life ſléepe quietly, pꝛoſper in chilꝺꝛen if thou be married, oꝛ haue any thing to ſucéede oꝛ go foꝛward, if thou wilt ſell oꝛ make any bargain, oꝛ hope foꝛ any honoꝛ oꝛ gaine, oꝛ any ſuch like: direct all your doings toward that place, in the which ỳ ſignes hauing reſpect to thoſe thinges, are ſituate oꝛ placed. So contrariwiſe, if that wee feare the euill ſucceſſe of any of thoſe things, the contrary ſignes are to bee ſchewed. And in this ſoꝛt may you iudge of the other ſignes. Alſo we haue made a larger deſcription héereof, whereas we make mention of the qualitie and nature of the houſes. Thus haue we héere no leſſe copiouſly then bꝛiefely diſcribed the nature of the faces of the ſignes, neither doe I perceiue how they could moꝛe compendiouſly haue béene con-

couched, not iudging it of great effect to haue tarryed long heerein with great circumſtances. Albeit, they be neceſſary vnto Aſtrologie, yet are they not of ſuch force (that as is ſaid in the prouerb, both ſhip and helme were to bee committed vnto them) or that the whole rule and gouernance of Aſtrology did depend on them. For as they cannot well bee left vnknowne, yet are they with ſuch a moderation to bee learned and vnderſtood, that vpon the knowledge of them a man ought not to iudge himſelfe by and by an Aſtronomer. Wherefore, whoſoeuer thou art that ſeemeſt to bee propenſe or apt to this Science, I warne thee to vſe moderation and doe nothing rathly, neither vnaduiſedly to giue iudgment of any man his Natiuity. There are ſo many things whereby we may be deceiued, as the wiſedome and circumſpection of the man, the diſpenſation of God, and our vncertayne iudgement.

As for example, it may be that a man borne vnder Aries, be very fierce and angry, who waying with himſelfe the

foulnes of the vice, doth moderate & ſup-
preſſe his anger. If I then ſhould iudge
this man an angry or teſtie man, who
would not mocke mée and laugh mée to
ſcorne, albeit nature and deſtinie doe in-
cline thereunto: yet notwithſtanding
the ſentence & iudgment is ſo to be tem-
pered and ruled, that without perfect
reſpect had to all things, thou vtter no-
thing raſhly. The which if you do not
take héede of, be aſſured you ſhall neither
Prognoſticate or foreſhew any truth: but
alſo become a mocking ſtocke to all men.
And this I doe euery where admoniſh
you of, becauſe I haue knowen many to
haue erred and haue béene foule deceiued:

who thinking themſelues ſure, haue
béen (as they ſay) fiftéene foote
off from the marke or
Pricke.

Certaine

CERTAINE CANNONS or Rules vpon sickenes or diseases, by what meanes the Patients may be cured & holpen by the aspect of the Signes.

The Preface.

THe foolish and vnaduised sort of Phisitions which in these our daies we see so much to advance themselues, and claime vnto themselues the supremacy ouer vs, albeit they be commanded by their Authors not to take in hand to cure any man, without having respect vnto the starres. So far are they distant from the true knowledge of Physicke, which are ignorant of Astrology, that they ought not rightly to be called Phisitions, but deceiuers. Howbeit, it is now come to this point, that amongst a hundred you shall scarcely find one, the which can truely discerne what time euery medecine ought to be ministred.

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themselues in Astrology, which haue no leasure to read Galen or Hippocrates but doe all things a head or vnaduisedly by certayne prescript receipts. Like as there was a certayne (no simple) man at Moguntia, whom you would haue iudged to haue beene the third Cato, or another Galen, if that grauitie would helpe any thing thereunto. This man being most rude and vnlearned, vsed two receipts, from whence he had drawne them I know not. There was in them 3 lz. of Elleborus, or so much Scomony, to purge the wombe. These he ministred by course, without hauing respect either to the complexion or sickues: by the which vaine trifles he scraped together so much money, that being dead, hee left behind him 3000 gilders. He iudged the whole effect of this science to consist in looſing of the belly. Such effect hath authority and boldnes in Physicke. These sort of rude and grosse men the which disdaine to learne, we will neither admonish, nor yet reuoke into the right way. But vnto others which intend hereafter to bee Phi-

Phisitions, wee will prescribe certayne rules whereby setting apart all old vaine trifles, they may learne from aboue to helpe the patient and diseased. For it hath been many times experimented and proued, that that which many Phisitions could not cure or remedie with their greatest and strongest medicines: The Astronomer hath brought to passe with one simple heart, by obseruing the moouing of the signes, the which we haue wholly diuided in Canons.

The first Canon. There be 4 signes the which behold or gouerne each inward parts of a man, the which Phisitions do cal ỹ spirituall members. Those are Cancer, Leo, Virgo, and Libra. Of these Cancer beholdeth the Lyuer, the lungs, and the heart strings. Leo gouerneth the stomacke, & the mouth thereof. Virgo the nether part of the stomack, the belly, the midriffe, and the bowels. Libra hath respect to the nether part of the belly, the loynes, and the Nauill.

The 2. Canon Cancer which gouer-

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neth the Lungs, engendreth the cough, the Pertisse and Pluriste. Leo causeth Impostumes, Iaunders, fevers, & pestilence. Virgo the swelling of the belly, the dropsie, and hardnes of the belly, and Collick. Libra causeth the evaporation of the howels, paine in the belly, and about the small of the backe: and chiefly if the signes aforesaide happen into those houses which are naturally evill. Such as are the 6. house, the 8. and 12. house from the ascendent or Horoscope.

The 3. Canon. He that is borne under Taurus for the most part shalbe in perill by poyson, witchcraft, or the Collick: and specially in the fatall yeares which are ỹ 6. 8. 18. 20. 33. 44. according to the revolution of every twelfe yere, beginning at the eight yeare of the Nativitie. And because that Taurus doth governe the throte, they do also refer unto him the squinancie, all impostumes, biles which happen in the throte, the which when the expert Phisition doth understand and know, let him take heede that he minister not unadvisedly.

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For this is almost a generall rule, that the Sunne, or rather the Moone being in any signe which beholdeth any member vexed or diseased: during that reuolution there bee no medecine ministred thereunto, or else that it be ministred in such sort, not to cure or heale, but to comfort and nourish least that it decline into a worse estate, vntil such time as the Sun be remoued out of that signe.

The 4. Cannon. They which are much vexed or troubled with the Strangullion or stone, or with any such kind of diseases most commonly are borne, the Sun being in *Aries* or Gemini.

The 5. Cannon. They that haue pisces in their ascendant, or are borne vnder pisces, are in daunger of hotte infirmities: as hot feuers, gnawing of the belly, and poyson, because of *Libra* and his Lord of the 8 house. These diseases shall partly happen by harlots and euill women, and specially in the 44. 56. 68. yeres, in the which he shal be in great danger of death. Wherefore, the wise Phitition ought carefullie to obserue

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thoſe thyngs. There be alſo certayn euill times & yeares of a mans life, which are at euery ſeuen yeares end: ſo ỹ euery ſeuenth yere is perilous. Wherfore if thou wilt prolong the daies of thy life: as often as thou commeſt to euery 7. or 9. yere, (if thou giueſt any credit to Marſilius Ficinus or Firmicus) diligently conſult with an Aſtronomer, from whence, & by what meanes any perill or danger may happen or come vnto thée: then either go vnto a Phiſition, or vſe diſcretion and temperance, and by that meanes thou maiſt deferre & prolong thy naturall end through the rules of Aſtronomy, & the help of the Phiſition. Neither be aſhamed to enquire of the Phiſition what is thy naturall diet and of the Aſtronomer, what ſtar doth moſt ſupport & fauour thy lyfe, and to ſe in what aſpect hee is with the Moone. Likewiſe, in the beginning of thy ſickenes to behold the Sun in the day, and the Moone in the night. They, if they bée letted or hindred, there muſt great heed or diligence bée had vpon the patient. The like is to be feared in all ſickeneſſe,

neſſe, when the Moone and the Lord of the aſcendant be letted in the viii. houſe, which is called the houſe of death. For in ſuch caſe it is paſt all hope, without the great diligence and labour of the expert and wiſe Phiſition. Theſe and many other ſuch like things, the wiſe and learned Phiſition ought diligently to obſerue and take héede vnto.

The 6. Canon. Leo in the eight houſe engendreth to him that is borne vnder Capricorne, theſe kind of diſeaſes: that is to ſay, gnawing of the ſtomacke, the pluriſie, the cough, inflamation of the liuer, and impoſtumes of the ſtomacke. Wherefore in curing or helping thereof, you muſt eſchew Wedneſday, becauſe of ♈, the fire houſe: Sunday, becauſe of ☌ in the 8. houſe: and Thurſday, becauſe of Sagittarius in the xii houſe.

The 7 Canon. Cancer cauſeth the inflamation of the lungs, with a feruent ague. The Sun héeing in Sagittarius, engendreth likewiſe the Ethica, & ſwelling of the lungs. But and if Saturnus be in Sagittarius, it cauſeth the ſwelling

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of the feete, and the gout. Saturnus in cancer causeth the paine of the Coddes, Stones, and priuy members.

The 8. Canon. Scorpio engendreth the gowt in the hand, the sciatica, and sometime the paine in the head. If Saturne be in scorpio, it causeth also paine vnder the ancle: Wherefore let this diet be vsed, not to wash their heads vpon a tuesday, neither vse any hot baths, the Sun being in Aries, least they fall into a continuall head-ach, for that they shal be in great danger of frenzy or madnesse.

And for because that the euill dayes, Moneths, and yeares, are to be obserued and taken heed of: let them abstaine specially from hotte things. The fortunate daies for the cure and helpe of such as are infected with that kind of Melancholy, are Thursday, Munday, and Sunday. The infortunate dayes are tuesday and Wednesday. And for so much as Scorpio doth behold the priuy members, they ought not to be ministred vnto, the Sun being in scorpio.

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The 9. Canon. They that haue virgo in their Horoscope, or else are borne vnder virgo, for the most part haue the naturall infirmity of the legges or feete swollen, the legges running with corrupt and filthy matter, or else the eye lids or cheekes full of pimples. In like wise greate paines in the head through the exhalation of humors out of the feete into the head. The which paines are soon allayed and appeased by cutting the swelling of the feet. And so much the rather if Saturne be in virgo at the time of Nativity. Wherefore if thou diligently consider it, thou shalt perceiue and see it to be a naturall disease, and for the most part incurable. And therefore only to be auoided and put of by the natural observation of the signes. Such ought to abstaine from hot houses, whether they be to wash or sweate in, which if they can not altogether eschew, let them abstaine Tuesdayes & Saterdaies, and the full Moneths & yeares before prescribed. because þ at those times more then at any other, they do most vehemently pour out

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so refraine from all Autumnall fruits.

The 10 Canon. The infortunate
dayes vnto such as are borne vnder Leo
are Saterday and Thursday, the which
thing must bee taken heed of in their diet:
for all sharpe and peppered meates are
hurtful for thē. Moreouer they may take
no drinks or purgations. And in like
case when the Sunne remoueth out of
Leo, & commeth vnto Capricorne or Pis-
ces, they must abstaine from all kind of
salt fish & diminution or letting of blood.

The 11 Canon. If that any man
chance to fall sicke, the Sun beeing in
Aries, and thou be admitted or called for
Phisition: vnderstand that he in especial
engendreth the paines of the head, and
deafenes therof with the dulnes of sight.
Wherfore beware that thou minister no
hot baths or stewes, because of Mars,
and specially in October, when the Sun
possesseth Scorpio, neither giue him in
his diet any Mutton, Rammes flesh, or
Lambe, neither suffer him to washe his
head vppon the Tuesdaies, Wednes-

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dayes, because of Mercury being Lord of Virgo in the 6. house, whereas Mars also doth principly reioyce, and Scorpio is the eight house, for then they prolong the sicknes, not onely because the 6. house is mansion of sickneſſe: as also that Virgo, is a Signe colde and drye, earthly and Melancholy. Notwithstanding, this hope remaineth that the patient shall not depart. And albeit Scorpio, as is aforesayd, bee in the eight house which is the mansion of death, because that Mars is Lord of the same signe, it prevayleth nothing, for no euill Planet is noysome or hurtfull in his proper mansion or house: and such kind of Men most of all, shall bee without perill of the Sword. Wherefore after his recouery or amendment, you must warne the patient that hee doth not take in hand any iourney, the Sunne beeing in Pisces, which is the 12. house from the Horoscope.

Or else not to haue to doe with notaries or scribes, grauers, or goldsmithes. Also that he abstaine from women, and horses. For by all these things infirmi-

tie or ſickeneſſe may happen vnto him by reaſon of the firſt houſe, which is the houſe of ſickeneſſe, and chiefly in Auguſt the Sunne hauing his courſe in Virgo.

The 12. Canon. In like manner, the number of the yeares of the Patient are diligently to bee obſerued and marked: for alwaies euery eight and 9. yeare are mortall and deadly, and are called of the Aſtronomers, the perillous times of mans life at euery 7. yeares end. The cauſe thereof, is the great mutation and change of the bodies that happeneth in thoſe yeares. For Saturne which in the other yeares is farre diſtant from vs, is then ioyned to the Moone, which is the loweſt Planet of all. Wherefore you muſt alwayes obſerue in the reuolution of the yeares, the aſpects of thoſe Planets, and thereby iudge whether there bee any daunger toward the Patient or not, or whether Saturne or Mars which alſo gouerneth euery ninth yeare bee in ſtrength or power to worke their malice vpon vs, or elſe if that any good or fauo-

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rable Planet haue the rule or dominion ouer him. And by this meanes thou shalt vtterly put away the sickneſſe: but also through ỹ Ingines of Astronomy deſer & prolong the fatall end and death.

The 13. Canon. Alwayes the dyet of the patient is to be enquired, secondly the Horoſcope of the Natiuyty, and then by a figure erect to behold ỹ ſtars of the planets, and by the ſituation of them in their Houſes to know their ſtrength and operation with the cauſes of the infirmity, and the Lord of the birth: and ſo by the contrary qualities of the ſignes to driue away the diſeaſe, as wee will declare hereafter by examples.

The 14. Canon. Furthermore, you muſt note and marke euery 7. day, and the courſes. For thereby is life or death to be loked or hoped for, but which bee thoſe Criticall dayes wee haue referred to bee learned of the Phiſition. For as much as examples do moſt inſtruct and teach, we haue annexed one. It may happen peraduenture, that in the beginning of the ſickneſſe the Moone bein Aries,

which is a hote and dry signe, and according to his nature, doth inflame the diseases. Here thou maist admonish the sicke person to be patient, and that his paine will bee delayed at the vii. day, at which time the Moone will be remoued into Cancer. For Cancer being cold and moyst, and being a quartile aspect vnto Aries, except the sickenesse bee very furious, will moderate the same through his coldnes and moistnesse. The which thing if thou diligently attend and marke, thou shalt come perceiue and vnderstand. And in like sort thou must worke by the other signes, considering how by signes of like nature, diseases are augmented and increased: and by the contraries they bee cured and holpen.

The 15. Canon. In likewise the second number of dayes is to bee obserued and marked, which is the 14 day, the which doth giue a certayne and determinate iudgement, by meanes of the full Moone, not so much for the Crisis as for the influence of the Moone being then in opposition. As Aries, and Libra, Taurus, and Scorpio.

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The 16 Canon: the medecines themselues haue likewise their proper signes neither are they indifferently to bee ministred at all times. For some serue for gargles, some for Suffumigations, and other-some for potions or drinks. Wherefore to avoide tediousnesse, I will comprehend all these in our Canon: The Moone being in Aries, Leo and Sagittarius, it is good to corroborate & strengthen the vertue attractiue in a man.

Under Virgo and Taurus the vertue retentiue, the digestiue in Gemini Libra and Capricorne, gargiles, vomits, and Suffumigations, are to be ministred the Moone being in Aries, and somtime only Gargles in Taurus, Laxatiues by drink in Scoapio, by Electuary in ♑, by pilles (if you will) in Pisces, in Gemini, and ♒ all comfortable medecines is to be receiued and take. In *Libra* or Scorpio suppositories or glisters.

The 18. Canon. In the ministring of Purgations, there is great respect to be had vnto the Moone, and her aspects. For she being in Cancer, and hauing

a trine or sertile aspect with Venus, it is good to purge choller: hauing the like aspects with the Sunne, it is good to purge flegme: and with Iupiter Melancholy either by pilles or by gobbets, called of the Phisitions Boly. But if thou wilt purge by drinkes, vse the same aspects in Scorpio, and likewise in Pisces for mundifying of pilles. And if that two planets at one time be in the aspects aforesaide with the MOONE, Two purgations may be taken at once. As for example, if the MOONE be at one time a trine or sertile aspect with VENVS and SVNNE, you may purge both Choller and Flegme together.

The 19. Canon. Such as haue in the rote of their nativitie, Mars in Aries or on his triplicitie, are cholericke, for the most part in daunger of hotte feuers, by abundance of Choller. Phrenesie, pushes, or biles comming of blood. Scurfy itch, Burninges, and such diseases as consume and eate the flesh, the holy fier. The which diseases, if they

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caimat vtterly be auoided and eschelued the Phisition or Surgion must take diligent heede that hée may driue away the diseases by the rules of qualities of the signes before expressed.

The 20. Canon. The like is to be vnderstood of all those with Mercury, enstilpiated in the house of Mars, the which when thou perceiuest in any Natiuity: iudge thereby hot Feuers, pimples rising of blond, the Canker, the Kings euill, and holy fier, darkenesse of the Eyes, Suffocation, and moreouer, horrible and fearefull thoughts and vexations of mind. Except there come any temperament vnto the Moone, eyther in the signes or places appointed vnto VENVS, and specially in chollericke men.

The 21. Canon. The infirmities of the phlegmaticke, are of another sort: for vnto them happeneth most commonly the agues called Quotidians, and are much vexed with cold, the which is perceiued by the Vrine, which for the most part is thicke and raw. Wherefore such

must vse exercise and labour and abstaine from all fat flesh and swyne flesh, also from Cheese and Milke, and from the marrow and braines of beastes.

The 23. Canon, Saturne with the Moone engendreth the falling sickness, blacke Cholier, Lepresie and Fistula. Also the Morphewe, Gout, and oftentimes swaine pangs.

The which diseases when they happen, are leasurely and gently to be dealt withall, neither maiest thou in such case strine against the Planets except the medecine be such as will endeavour with all force and strength, to expell and drive away the sickenesse, and pulleth up cleane by the roots. Also if any man be borne at the time of the coniunctions of the Sun and Moone: alwaies that nativity is iudged euill, for it maketh men when they come to age, dangerously afflicted it were with euill spirites, to be sickly, inclined to the falling sickenesse, to madnesse, and such kind of diseases, as may hardly and difficultly be cured by the Phisition.

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The 24. Canon. You may alſo iudge by the courſe of the Sun, the ſickneſſe which we are in daunger of, if that ye marke the Moneth in which the man is borne. As for example, The man borne vnder Scorpio ſhall be endamaged with the diſeaſes of the ſhoulders, the gout in the hands, and the contractiõ, or conuulſion of the hands or fingers. If it bée a woman, it cauſeth the paine in the ſplene and ſtomacke. Likewiſe, they which are borne vnder Cancer, ſhall be vexed with a ſcruie itch, or roughneſſe of ſkin, blaſt, and puſhes. The women with gnawing in the bowells, and perills by waters. Taurus bringeth the infirmities about the throat, and many other vexations of the body, and ſpecially in the euil Moneths & yeares preſcribed. Alſo Leo cauſeth the paines of the ſtomacke. And Aquarius engendreth quotidian Feuers as we haue briefly touched before.

The 25. Canon. This is alſo to bée noted no leſſe profitable vnto the ſicke man then vnto the Phiſition, that is to ſay; if that the Patient haue Saturne

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or Mars in the Seuenth house, it is not conuenient to meddle, neither with phisition nor Physicke: although the Lord of the house be neuer so vnfortunate, for so Galen thought it méete. Also if the Phisition be Saturnine or Martiall, such as is the Patient, it is approued and knowen, that that their kind of men are borne for the destruction of mankind. For it is impossible that they should euer cure or helpe, or bring anything prosperously to passe, except peraduenture amongest Prophane and rusticall people. Such a one as we haue knowen, a man surely well learned and in greate reputation amongest Noblemen, in whome there wanted nothing as touching the Arte or Science, howbeit béeing admitted eyther to Priests, Noblemen, or Ecclesiasticall Galens, his labour and knowledge was alwayes frustrate and in vaine, and brought the most part of them to their end: but contrariwise amongest the prophane and rude sort, hée did cures without anye difficultie or paine. Wherby you may

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perceiue as well in this, as in all other things of what force and strength the planets are. And this dare I bee bould to professe, that whosoeuer hath Mars conioyned with Venus in the vi. house, that he shall bee an excellent, Phisition. And such kind of men ought not to giue themselues to any other kinde of learning or knowledge. I could reheatse vnto certaine graue men, phisitions witnesses heereof: vnto whom it is a readye and easie matter to cure and helpe: yea, euen without any payne or labour. And againe, other some vnto whome it is so difficult and hard, that with all their possible endeuour they can scarcely bring any thing to pas, whose names we wil kepe in silence, least we may seeme to bac-bite or slander any man. Thus wee haue briefly spoken, not herby to expound all things which cannot bee done in so few words: but to minister occasion vnto phisitions, that beholding and considering the vtility and profite of Astronomy, they may with their whole power and endeuour embrace the same & ther-

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by learne not only the prescript rules of men to helpe the diseased: but also by their owne wit and engine to put away the diseases, euen without medicines: For euery sicke man is not of that sort, that he can beare salues or medicines: For some by diet, and others by obseruations of the signes may bee cured and holpen. Scorne vs who will, we vtterly haue written these things of a sincere mind and affection, intending shortlye to set forth greater things. But first we thought it good to declare the things in generall: and afterward the summe and effect whereon the matter dependeth.

A Compendious description of naturall Astrologie, neuer so Briefly handled before. Made by *John Indagine* Priest.

FIrst of all and chiefly, it is méete to refell and put off the obiections of such as obiect and say, that beside the Sunne and the Moone, wée attribute very little or nothing at all to the other Planets, but doe collocate and set the whole summe and power of Astrologie in them two onely. Wherefore let euery man vnderstand and know, as much vertue and force to bée in them two, as in all the other. And that the Sunne hath the whole power and gouernance in the day, and the Moone in the night, so that it is not néedefull to haue respect to any of the other Planets. And this is the onely difference betweene naturall and artificiall Astrology, that that thing which artificyall Astrologie doth by

by the generall obseruations of euery Planet and Horoscope: the same doth naturall Astrology bring to passe by the onely obseruation of the motion of the Sunne and Moone. Or else they are so knitte and ioyned together, that the one without the other cannot well bee learned or vnderstood. Wherefore hée shall not loose his labour which shall ioyne them both together, as well for the learning, as for the pleasure of them: for the naturall hath somewhat more delectation than the artificiall, albeit the other séeme the better. But now we will define what a House is

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A House is a certayne space in the firmament diuided by certaine degrées, by the which the Planets haue their motion, so metaphorically called. For as in a house ther be many Mansions: so euery Planet hath his proper place in the Heauen or Firmament, by the which they doe moue, & in the which they be resident & situate. And it is called the discription or diuision of the signs by 30. degrées, for euery house or signe hath 30. degrées

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The number of the Houses.

As the Astronomers do make mention in their common Rithmes, there bée 12. houses, the which we will here ascribe with their interpretations.

The first is interpreted the house of lyfe.

The 2. the house of faculties or substance called also of ☿ importunity of the place, the gate of hell.

The 3. is the Mansion of bretheren.

The 4. beeing the bottome of the Heauens, and the angle of the earth. is the house of Parentage.

The 5. is the pleasure of Venvs, the house of Children.

The 6. of euil fortune, seruants, sickenesse, and the pleasure of ♂.

The 7. beeing oppolite to the first, is the house of mariage and open enemies.

The 8. is the house of Death.

The ninth of religion or long iourneyes, the delight of the Sunne.

The 10. being the middle of ☿ firmamẽt, is the house of rule or gouernance.

The 11. is the house of Fortune, the exaltation of Iupiter.

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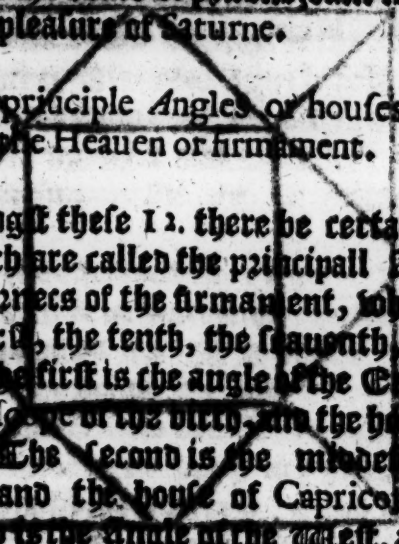
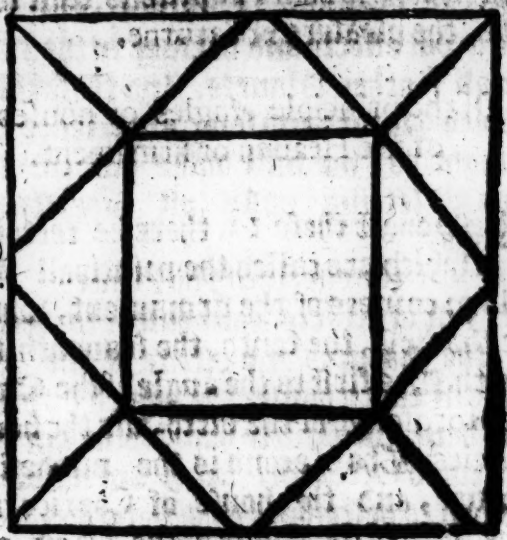
The 12. is the house of Pisces, euill fortune, the pleasure of Saturne.

Of the principle *Angles* or houses of the Heauen or firmament.



Amongst these 12. there be certaine which are called the principall Angels or corners of the firmament, which are the first, the tenth, the seauenth, the fourth. The first is the angle of the East, the horoscope or the birth, and the house of Aries. The second is the middest of Heauen, and the house of Capricorne. The thirde is the angle of the West, and perteyneth to Libra. The fourth of Firmicus is called the bottome of the firmament. And in these foure almost the whole iudgment doth depend and consist. For they are the principle Angles and houses, and the planets haue more power and strength in them then in any of the other.

Medicum cœli.



Imum cœli.

I Judge it but superstitious vnprofitable to intreate much of the beginning of the Natiuitie, because it doth rather pertaine to artificiall Astrology: as of the fall of the sæde into the wombe, and the ascendent of the houre of Natiuitie, which (as I sayd) pertaineth to another kind of speculation. Our intention at this present is fully directed to the Sun, and the signe wherein the Sunne is the day of Natiuitie.

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For as Ptolomy testifies, there are as great effects and vertues in the Sun as in all ye other Planets. And those things which Nature and long experience hath taught vs, we will make evident vnto you, letting passe all superstitious things.

Of the effects of the Planets.

FIrst of all it is convenient to declare the Natures and effects of the Planets in euery house, the which although we haue sufficiently handled in our book intituled Octocedro, yet I am nothing abashed to describe it here ye second time.

If any man be borne betweene the x. of xi. day of March, (when the Sunne commonly doth enter into Aries) & continueth there through the Decanes or faces, vnto the x. of xi. day of Aprill, Mars is found Lord in the day of Natiuitie: who being by nature fiery, and Aries likewise doth augment and increase his heate and furie, and all other euill dispositions, more then if he had been in an earthly or waterie signe.

Saturnus whensoeuer he be, and spe-

cially in the 6. 8. or 12. house, is the author of all miseries, calamities, labour, and sickenesse.

Venus being temperate, causeth a man to be a lover of women, of playes, songs, and banquets, and all things pertaining vnto mirth.

Mercury is the minister and giver of wisdome and eloquence, lawes, rethoricke, subtile workes merchandize, and such like.

The Moone causeth madnesse, vnstedfastnes, moistnes, and slough.

Iupiter in the angels is the author of beauty, riches, honor, and rule.

The sunne in the ascendant, or in the angels maketh a great and honourable personage, and had in reputation amongst Princes and great men.

The signes also causing beauty are Gemini, Libra, Virgo, and the first part of Sagittarius.

Workers of meane beauty, Scorpio, Capricorne, and Pisces.

Barren signes are Gemini, Leo, Virgo

Causing defection or lacke of Chil-

dren,

dyell, Aries, Taurus, Libra, Sagittarius, Capricorne, and Aquarius.

Beane and without voice, Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces.

Ministring reason, Virgo, Libra, Aquarius, Gemini.

The qualities of the signes I iudge are well inough allotted.

Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius, are hot and drie.

Taurus, Virgo, Capricorne, are melancholicke, cold, and dry.

Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are cold moist, and watrie.

Gemini, Libra, Aquarius are hote, moist and ayrie.

And thus allwaies three signes agreeing in one nature, doe make a triplicitie, And in euery planet likewise haue certaine powers and effects in their priuate or proper howses, as for example.

Aries, and Scorpio, are the howses of Mars.

Taurus, and Libra of Venus.

Gemini, and Virgo, of Mercury.

Sagittarius and Pisces, are the houses of Iupiter.

Capricornus and Aquarius are attributes to Saturne.

The Sunne hath only one house which is Leo.

The Moone possesseth also Cancer.

Euery signe hath likewise his proper signification in the creation of the members of mans body.

Aries hath of the body of man, the head and tee face.

Taurus the necke, and the throte boll.

Gemini the shoulders, armes, and hands.

Cancer the brest, the heart, stomacke, and ribbes, spleene, and lunge.

Leo the nether part of the stomacke, backe, and sides.

Virgo the belly or midriffe, Diaphragma and bowels.

Libra the loynes, the nether part of the belly and Nauill.

Scorpio the priuy members, stones, bladder, and thighes.

Sagit-

Sagiatarius the buttocks with the appurtenances. And Capricorne the knees. Aquarius the legges, Pisces the feete and soles.

Certaine worthy notes concerning the Sunne and the Moone.

LEast that any should herein be deceiued, we think it not meet to be let passe, concerning the Sun and Moone, the which albeit they be the chiefe and Princes of the planets, yet are they neuer Lords of the Nativity, as for example. If the Moone bee in Gemini, or in Cancer, which is her owne house, when a Child is borne, yet shall not the Moone haue the dominion of the Birth, but it shall be imputed to the Lord of the house following. So likewise if a man be borne the Sun being in Leo, which is his proper house: yet he looseth the dominion of the nativyty, and it is derived vnto Mercury being Patron of the next mansion Virgo. Againe the Moone being in Virgo, Venus is Lady of the birth, because of Libra following which is the house of Venus. Neither is it vnprofitable to ad-

monish you also of this, which I perceiue euery where to be doubted of, that ẏ euill Planets, as Saturne and Mars, are not so hurtfull & pernicious in their own proper houses, as they be in the mansions of others. I wil propound an exãple of the first signe, whereby it may appeare more euident. We will set the Sun to bée in the time of some natiuity in Aries, whose nature you already know, and what effect he worketh being in the Horoscope. Then in the erection of the figure, ioyne Mars with Aries béeing Lord of the house: and thereby iudge that he which is borne shal liue long. Notwithstanding Mars, who although he bée nought & ill, yet doth he not so much poure out & shew his malice béeing in his one howse, as if hée were in another house, sauing that in stéede of hurt by the sword he threatneth sodaine sickneste, because Mars being in Scorpio, the 8 house, neither shall those sicnesse bring death. And this is for an example. The like is also to be vnde stood of Saturne, being in Capricorne or in Aquarius. And least we may séeme

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here vtterly to neglect artificiall Astrology, the which we do not deny, but to be requisite to the vnderstanding of the naturall: wherefore, we minding to declare the force & strength of the signes, we will first do it by artificiall Astrology: to y any man lacking Firmicus & his tables, hauing a plaine Astrolabe, & beholding the ascendant at the houre of the nativity may by these final instructions giue iudgment. And after this in order in another phase, I will do the same by natural Astrology, y which shal help y artificiall.

Of the first house & Horoscope in Aries

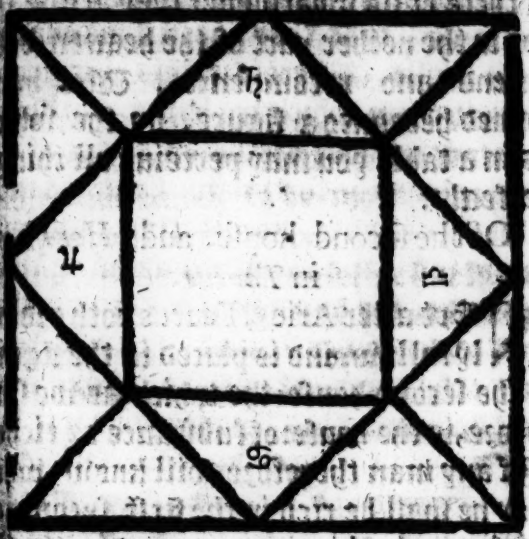
IF any man will peraduenture demand what operation & effect the Horoscope in Aries doth woorke in vs. First of all I admonish them y the stars or signes do not prouoke or force vs to any thing, but only doth make vs prone & apt: and being apt, they do moue & stir vs vp vnto the things we are so prone vnto. For to what motion we are free and out of danger, that followeth the rule & gouernance of stars, they that haue no effect in vs. But if contrariwise we only follow our naturall

distinction

distinction they shall worke the same effect in vs, that they doe in a manner in brute beasts. Wherefore, this Horoscope maketh them which are borne, flourishing in youth, without heatheren, or one at the most, if they be fortunate: having a mutable inheritance, now gotten, now lost, & now lost, and strait recouered againe, inclined to the diseases of the head rather then to any other sicknes (because Aries hath chiefe respect to ỳ head.) For ỳ most part bestowing his labour & god wil vpon vnthankfull persons, & specially Aries being in the Horoscope. Next after ỳ Horoscope, must heed be taken vnto the chiefe angles, & what signe is in each angle, which may easily be reckoned by the fingers, or else by a figure erect, as for example. Aries being in the first house, Cancer possesseth the nether part of the Heauen, Capricorne the midst, and Libra the West, and now we will shew what these principle angles doe promise.

Capricorne in the midst of the heauen doth discerne honors, riches, promotions, secrets of Religion, and a subtle wit.

Libra



Libra in the West sheweth the lyfe & courtly maners, the which life few do allow: for it is vnconstant: casting downe a man from honor & reputation, into infamy and reproach: fortune now flattering and laughing vpon him, and by and by vexing him with fundry miseries and calamities, so that he shall haue no cōmodity or gaine, without incommodity and losse. All this shall happen through emulation or despite of his companions But

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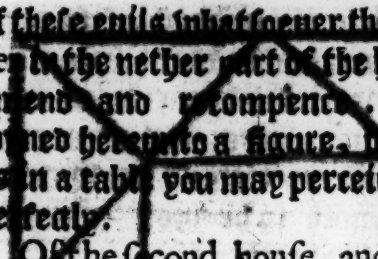
of these evils whatsoever they are. Cancer in the nether part of the heauen doth amend and recompence. Wee haue ioined hereunto a figure, by the which as in a table you may perceiue all things perfectly.



Of the second house and *Horoscope* in *Taurus*.

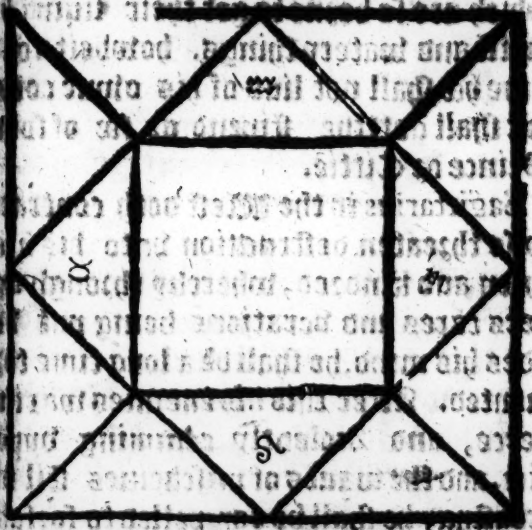
NExt after Aries, Taurus both orderly follow, and is placed in the figure to the second house: the which as we sayd before, is the house of substance or riches. If any man therefore will know whether he shall be rich in the first, second or third age: let him iudge according to the Lords of the triplicities and their places. Which we will do hereafter. Now we will only speake in generall.

The Horoscope or ascendant being in Taurus, thou shalt iudge in this sort: that that man shalbe painfully disquieted with sundry cares for getting of riches, which he shall easily attaine vnto, and be as apt to lose the same againe, and shall triumph ouer his enemies.

Aquarius

Aquarius also in the midwest of heauen maketh him acceptable vnto Princes & great men, and giueth him rule in publique affaires and offices, and prouidenture in businesse pertaining to waters, because he semeth to be most giuen to the nature of the water.

Scorpio in the West causeth a hardy and beneficiall person, the which shall lose his wife: if it be a woman, she shall lose both her husband, and her Sonne Child.



Leo in the nether part of the Heauen cau-

causeth him to chalenge his patrimonie the whiche (notwithstanding all the endeauours & lying in wait of his kindred) he shall obtaine and get.

Of the ascendant in GEMINI.

WHosoeuer hath this Horoscope shall haue prosperity & good fortune by his parents, brethren, friends kinsfolk, and great men.

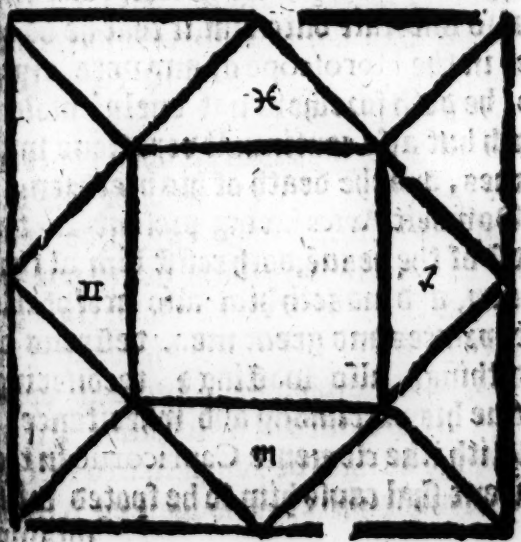
According vnto Firmicus, pisces being in the midst of heauen, causeth them which are so borne to get their liuing by mettall and watery things, howbeit for a time he shall not liue of his owne costs, but shall get the stipend or fee of some Prince or Cittie.

Sagitarius in the West doth contrariwise threaten destruction vnto his brethren and kindred, whereby through dyuers cares and vexations being put besides his mind, he shall be a long time tormented. After this his enemies waxing fierce, and violently comming vppon him, and the waues of mischeiues still increasing, he shall be compelled to forsake his owne Countrey, and shall be banished

ed and driuen away as Cain was, vntill at length by the help of God hée shall be restored into his former estate and condition.

Virgo likewise in the bottome of the heauen do threaten the very same, but by chance and increase of time (according to the state of the incommodities and hurts) it doth increase abundance, and good Fortune.

Heere you may behold the figure.



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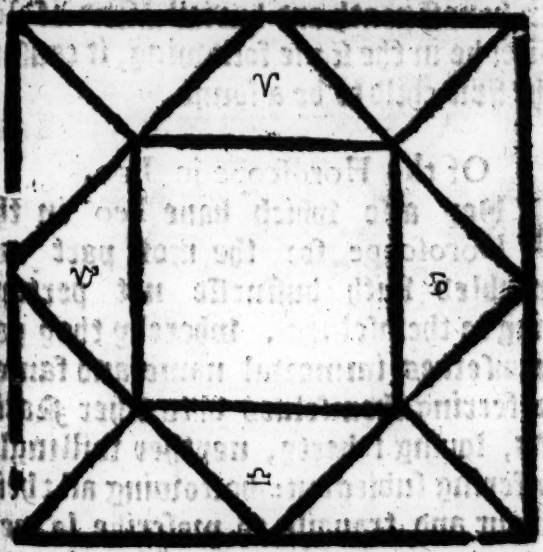
Of the Horoscope in Cancer.

CAncer in the Horoscope doth dispose the naturall disposition, and all other fortune in this sort. It maketh a man of a quicke and subtile wit, albeit somewhat slow, pleasant, quiet, & angry earnestly pursuing al evil persons, whose anger is soone appeased. Also strong moderate, and grave, by the which gifts he shall be promoted vnto publique offices, & haue his liuing by them. Many shall obey him, and some by compulsion flatter him, but fainedly & not hartely. Saturne is also partner vnto him, if that he be either in the Horoscope or any nere aspect. For he doth foreshew not duely violent death but also continuall vexations with sicknes, and the death of his brethren.

Notwithstanding Aries being present in the midst of the heauē, doth resist him al that he may, and maketh him also acceptable vnto princes and great men, desirous of good things, also waking & recouering againe his patrimony and inheritance. But with the clemence Capricorne in the occident shal cause him to be spoted with infamy

infamy, which he shall shortly after wipe away, and many other misfortunes, and shall restore him into his former estate.

And shall also encourage him to seeke out hidden and secret things, but not without great veration and trauaile.



Libra in the bottome bringe ihsorrow vpon sorrow, dispersing the patrimony, and getting it againe, preferring him to publike or euill offices, whereby great and secret affaires shall bee committed

fed vnto him, which are not accuſtomed tobes commited, but onely vnto very good men.

And whereas Saturne before in the Horoſcop doth threaten a violent death, Lipra doth alienate the ſame, promiſing an honeſt death and buriall. And if Iupiter be in the ſigne following, it cauſeth the firſt child to be a ſonne.

Of the Horoſcope in Leo.

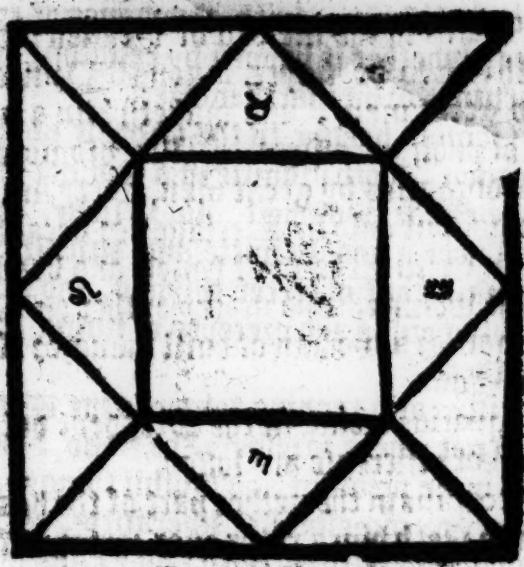
They alſo which haue Leo in the Horoſcope for the moſt part are troubled with buſineſſe not perteyning to themſelues, whereby they get themſelues immortal name and fame, preferring themſelues vnto other Nations, louing liberty, neyther willingly ſuffering ſubiection: beſtowing all their labour and trauaile to preſcribe lawes and ordynances to other. Mars in the artificiall figure being oppoſite vnto Leo doth to all effects deny men Children: except Iupiter being preſent do appeaſe his rigour, who peraduenture will giue a daughter.

Taurus

Taurus in the middest of heauen causeth him to be suspect amongst Princes and great men, and maketh him a ruler of publique offices. Also promoted into dignyties by great men, witty in all things, but only in marriage, for because he shal refuse the most honest and beautyfull women, and marry eyther an old woman, or a woman of euill name, or els a widdow.

Aquarius being in the Occydent doth giue both increase and losses.

Scorpius in the nether part of the heauen, maketh him a ruler ouer certayn affaires. And they also hatte Taurus in the middest of the heauen, whome Mars beholding with a contrary aspect doth threaten both imprysonment, & also death in a straunge place or countrey.



Of the Horoſcope in Virgo.

The Horoſcope in Virgo doth vehemently prouoke a man to lechery and ryot, and cauſeth him to be ſo farre in loue with women, that hee would abuſe all women. It doth alſo miniſter riches and religion, and maketh him ruler ouer aunſweres and Oracles, ſo that hee ſhall be thought to be of the number of the Goddes, witty, and cunning in all thinges, ſearching out all thinges, a

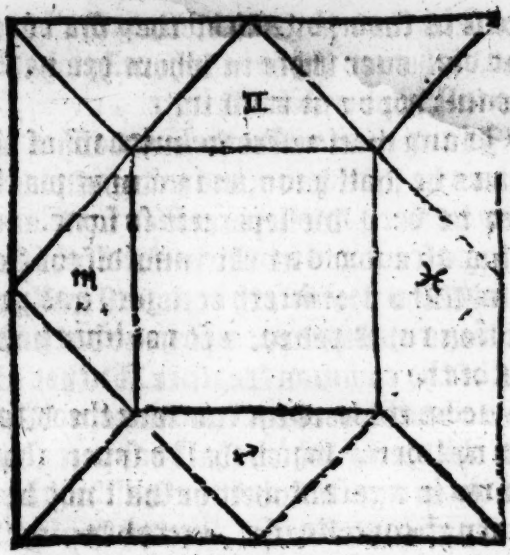
good

good artificer, with abundance of ryches, whether it happen by religion, by learning, or by marchandize.

Gemini beeing in the middest of the Heauen, doth promise in a manner the same effect: Howbeit, not so soone, but doth adde a goodly witte and disposition in seeking out of secret thinges, and prescribing rules and precepts of liuing vnto others.

Pisces also tending towards the West doth not onely foreshew the same: but also more pleasant and ioyfull things, as beauty or comelinesse, liberality, gentlenes, and softnes, with fauour and loue amongst men.

Sagittarius doth adde vnto this the fauour and gifts of the Gods, as felicity and plenty of all things, as of children, ecclesiasticall rule, and agility and quicknesse to do all these things. And this is the destinie of him, which hath Virgo in his Horoscope, the other three signes beeing also gathered, as you may here perceiue.



Of the Horoſcope in Libra.

LIbra being aſcendent at the houre of Natiuity, cauſeth ſickneſſe, dangers, enemies, and great ſtryfes and debates, howbeit, after all thoſe daungers, it decreeth victory and tryumph. Alſo promotions, relygion, ſincerytye, and integrity of iudgement. In nothing ſo vnfortunate as in hauing of Children, for when hee hath gotten certayne Children, e beginneth to put all his whole confidence and

truſt

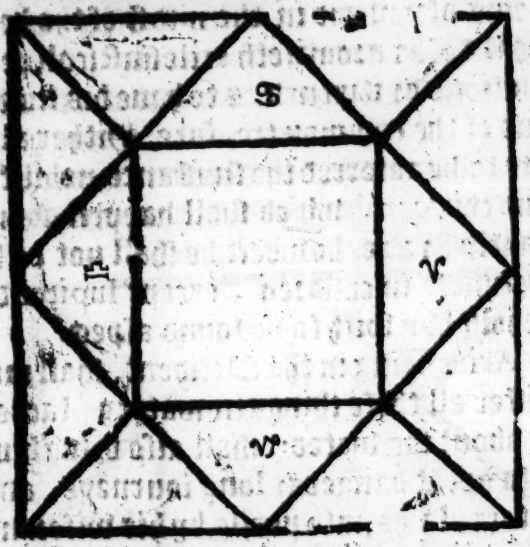
rust in them, by and by they shall decay and die, euen those in whom hee had set his full hope and trust in.

If any man desire to know what dignyties he shall haue, and in what place, ꝑ may be very well perceiued by Cancer being ascendant in the midst of the heauen. Who promiseth ecclesiasticall promotions or stipened, & to haue his liuing out of the common treasure. Hither also are to be referred the substance, nobility, and children, which shall happen abundantly in age: howbeit he shall not be so fortunate in children, except Iupiter do behold him with some sound aspect.

Aries being in the Occident, shall minister all these things in watery places, or about the water: shall also bring him into great dangers, long iourneys, and desart places, into perils by his wife: and peraduenture into a frenzy or madnesse till he drain in age, and then he shal haue an end of all these miseries.

Capricorne shall tosse him hither and thither, and seldoms suffer him to be in quiet, neither will he suffer his patrimony

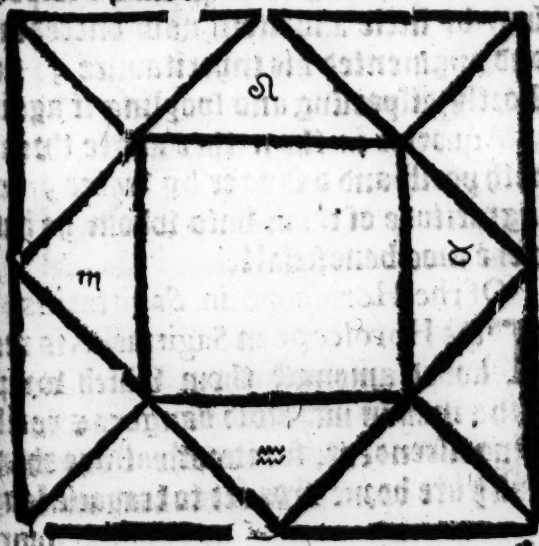
to bee in surety, but now vp, now downe now in losse, now recouered againe: because for the most part they be wanton which haue Capricorne in the nether part of the Heauen. Also he shall haue a Sonne by an vnlawfull woman.



The Horoscope in Scorpio.

I Iudge the Nature of the Horoscope in Scorpio to be manifest, according to the naturall guiding of the thing taking life therein. For it maketh an angry

gry man, priuily pouring out his poison, and backbitting with his pestilent tongue, very rich, and tossed with many perils, & thereby almost brought to desperation: the which being somewhat quieted and pacified, he shall enioy a quiet fruite and use of glory, dignity, ministration, and religion: It addeth also a lively spyrit & vigour of mynde, with adornament of speech. Further, notwithstanding his former damages, it giueth increase of Children, which shall recompence his sorrowes passed.



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Forsomuch as it happeneth seldome but that the other principall angles performe the same which the ascendant doth promise: so Leo possesseth the mids the heauen, doth promise that which is foresayd, adding thereunto fortitude and strength to performe the same withall, giuing also dignyty, as an immortall reward of vertue.

Taurus in ỹ Occident gineth him victory ouer his enemies, as well priuy, as apart. Notwithstanding hee shall be infamed for lechery, the which he shall also wipe away by little and little, now encreasing and augmented his inheritaunce, and shortly disperling and spoyling it again.

Aquarius in the nether angle threatneth perill and daunger by water, and ingratitude of them vnto whom he hath beene most beneficiall.

Of the Horoscope in Sagittarius.

The Horoscope in Sagittarius is reckoned amongst them which wrappeth a man in manifold dangers & perils being ascendent, for it doth allure them which are borne vnder it to trauaile long

urneys, and to commit themselues to
e seas and great waters. It mini-
eth also naturallie, prompt and ready
t to all good learning an discypline, so
t they follow nature.

herfore, if Virgo happen to be in ỹ
ddest of the heauen, it doth augment
s fortune, recompensing the labours of
s mind and wit with some notable pre-
rment, by ỹ which he shal excell others:
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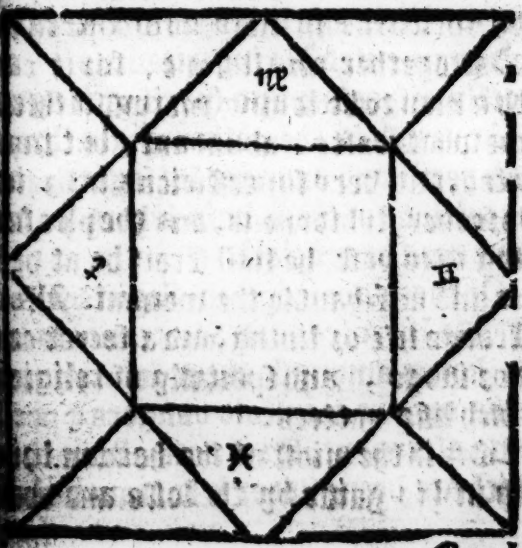


Gemini

Gemini in the West giueth children
Nephewes by and by in the middle age
and shall giue him rule or office ouer
Bookes and secret things.

Pisces in the nether part of the heauen
giueth helpe out of ẏ watery places, ma
keth him faithfull, to whom secrets ma
be committen, noble, either by blood o
gentlenesse: whom, if Iupiter do behol
with any meane aspect, he shall marry
wife which hath beene defiled before, o
an adulterous woman.

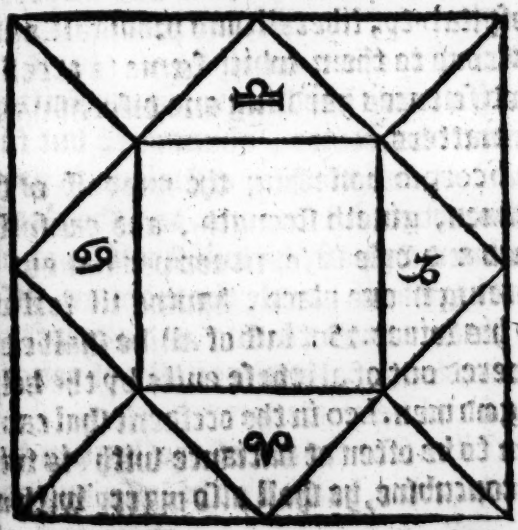
Of the Horoscope in Capricorne.

CApricorne in the Horoscope is no
altogether an ill signe, for it cau
seth a man to be louing, merry, faithfull
somewhat crafty, abundant, but fayn
harted, and very supersticious in praier
Moreouer, lybidynous, and the pleasur
being once past, he will strait be at defi
ance and mis-handle the woman. Also o
a strange life or liuing, and a secret cen
sor or iudge, and specially of religion
or such like matters.

Libra in the midst of the heauen brin
geth in his gaine by the losse and deat

f others, maketh him also honest, godly
ceptable, eloquent, and learned: and
his necessity vowing and praying to
God, whereby after all evils and mis-
ortunes, hee shall obtaine a prosperous
nd happy age.

Cancer in the Occident stirreth up all
s friends against him, and increaseth
numerable perills and daungers to-
ards him. The same thing also Aries
th threaten in the bottom of the heaven
r all his substance, dignities, & offices,



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shall be tossed to and fro, now vp, now downe, vntill at the length, as is said Libra shall moderate the same, yet shall hee not preserue his Son or Child, but that he shal be grieuously vexed with sickness.

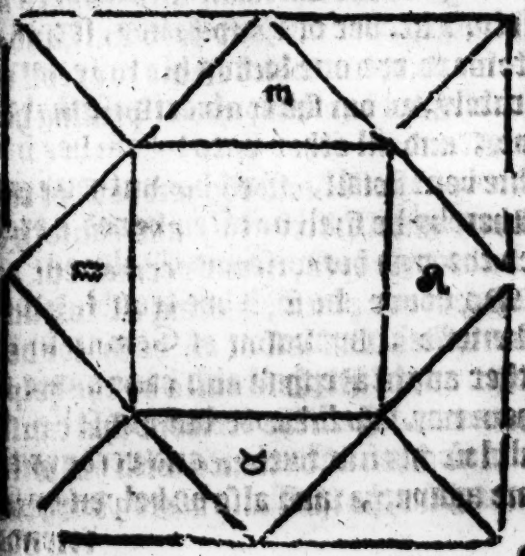
Of the Horoscope in Aquarius.

THe effect of this Horoscope is such that it maketh them meanely rich, promoteth them vnto great men, and casteth them into many dangers, out of the which, euen in the middest of desperation, he shall be relieued by the helpe of God. It maketh them also keepers of hospitalyty, liberall, and prodigall, and a patrone to them which seeme to excell in good sciences handling and dispensing holy matters.

Scorpio possessing the middest of the heauen, giueth strength, and causeth a hard and vyle lyfe, neuer permanent or abiding in one place, hauing ill fortune by his wiues. But last of all, he shalbe deliuered out of all these euils by the helpe of good men. Leo in the occident shal cause him to be often at variance with his wife or concubine, he shall also marry with an old

ld woman, which shall flatter him pro-
mising him great gifts, but in her heart
he shall loue others better then him. His
owne household shall be his enemies by
whose helpe his other enemies shall goe
about to destroy him. And he shall mar-
ry eyther another mans wyfe, or else a
widow.

Taurus in ♄ nether angle, encreaseth
his glory & pomp which he is giuen vnto
enriching him also with other mens goods,
and causing him to liue long.



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Of the Horoscope in Pisces.

Pisces maketh them very witty, bold, harty faithfull, friendly, & somewhat hie minded, promoting them also to honour.

Sagitarius in the vpper angle, shal cast him head-long into many perils & daungers. Notwithstanding, maketh him persuable, and bold to moue debate & strife with great men, and shall bring other mens goods in perill & danger. and thereby possesse that which is none of his owne.

Virgo in the Occident, maketh him harty, a keeper of Hospitality, secret, a Steward, and one louing his wife immoderately, whom she contrariwise shal not loue, and all other vnto whom hee hath béene beneficiall, shall bée vnthankfull. Whereby he shall be often vexed & troubled through his wife and Children.

Moreouer, he shall bee troubled with sickenesse, by reason of Gemini in the nether angle. He shall also haue a disease whom none shall know but himselfe, he shall lose his substance, and recouer the same agayne, and also be holpen by his

Friends, least he might seeme destitute. He shall surrender his spyrit to his maker in a strange land or place, out of his owne Countrey by sodayne death.

Hereafter followeth the Naturall iudgements of Astrology, according to the Reuolution of the Sun, through the xii. signes of the Zodiacke.

Hitherto we haue intreated the obscoure sayings of others, concerning iudgements of the Horoscope. But because we only promised to intreat briefly

of these things, which others haue handled with long commentaries: some peraduenture would impute these vnto me, in adding other mens doings vnto myne. Of which theft I am nothing ashamed: for albeit ỹ theft in all thinges be reprehensible, yet in learning only it is commendable and prayse worthy, and especially when that a man goeth about by ỹ same to elevate and discusse the darke and obscure sayings of others. This we speake vnto such as envy al our doings. Like as the Barbarous people, which being neyther apt, neither prompt to any kinde of good learning: yet they iudge all things in their owne tongue and language vile and naught. Thou, whosoeuer thou art, that readest these thinges, rather weigh and consider our mind and intent, then our wordes, minding to teach and make evident all things vnto thee: which if it come otherwyse to passe, it is contrary to our mynd and purpose. Now wee will enter vpon the naturall iudgements, whereas briefly concerning Aries, it is in this sort.

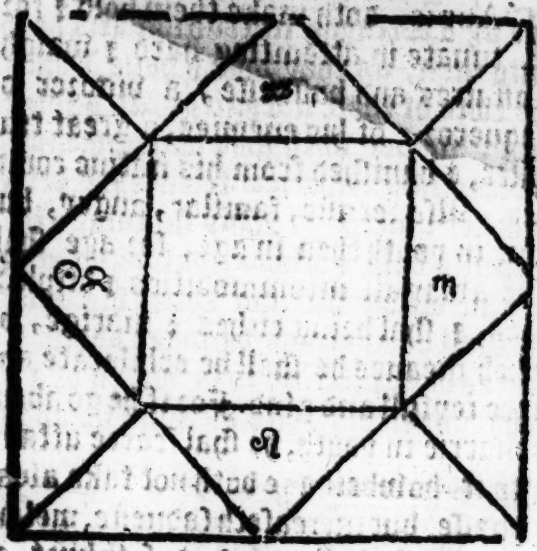
The Sunne in Aries.

The Sunne beeing in Aries maketh them which are borne, neyther rich neyther very poore. Also angry, but soone pleased, studyous, eloquent, dyers, proud, lying, and luxurious, promising (as they say) mountaynes of gold, and performing nothing, euil reported amongst his kindred & shall be brought in danger by his enemies, which shalbe men of power. He shall bee hurt by 4. footed Beastes, as beeing cast off a Horse hee shall receiue great wounds with danger of death. So much vnfortunate and adverse shall all kind of hauking, hunting, fishing, and al things to be done on horseracke, and happen vnto him: in other things he shall be more fortunate & happy, & also long liued. Also if it be a maide which is borne. she shalbe giuen to lying, angry, fayre, curious, delighting in new & strange things, enuious and fruitful in children, whose first child shall bee staine, she shall be in many perils and dangers, whereby she shall get a skar in the head & else be naturally marked there, or in

the feste. This we haue noted also out of certayne Authors, that the Children of Aries, being borne in the day, shalbe fortunate and of great reputation and renowme amongst great men and Princes: contrariwise, they which are borne in the night, to be vnfortunate, and of no reputation.

April. The Sunne in TAVRVS. Taurus

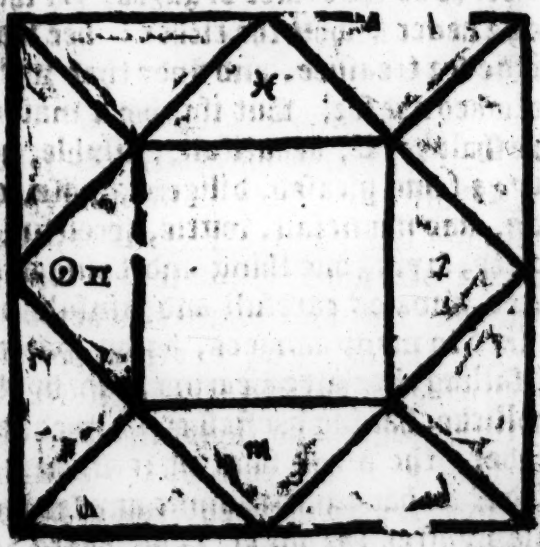
TAurus doth make them bold & fortunate in attemting hard & waighty affaires and busines, a victorer or conqueror of his enemies, a great trauailer, & banished from his natiue countrey. Also seruile, familar, angry, but more in youth then in age, for age shall take away all incommodities & displeasures, & shal bring riches & marige, by which meanes he shall be exhileate and made ioyfull and glad. For if he go about to marrie in youth, he shal scarce attaine vnto it, howbeit age doth not take away sickneſſe, but increaseth sadneſſe, melancholy, black choller, and causeth hurt, as biting of a dogge, & that about the 28. or 35. yeare of his age. These things once passed, he shall florish againe & liue very long. It maketh also the women children wanton, painful, obedient, & full of words: also infamed for whoredome which infamie shal vanish away by little & little, when she cõmeth to the age of 21 yeres: she shal haue many husbãds & children, wise & witty in helping & counsailing others, also circumspect and rich.



The Sunne in Gemini.

GEmini being naturally faire, doth ſeanſe alſo a faire Child, mercyfull, wiſe and witty, liberall, a boaſter, a runner & ſtraier about countries, having no regard to his owne buſines, whereby he ſhall be neyther rich, neyther oppreſſed with pouerty, but of a meane eſtate. And of ſuch fidelity and faythfulneſſe, that he ſhall haue the rule of the common treaſure, merry mynded, full of vnderſtanding ſubttle, gentle to be ſpoken to, and

and by a certayne instruction acceptable vnto men, as they which haue Venus in the west of their natyuity. Also faire of face, indued with good learning and science: as Mathematical sciences, & lawes, and Arithmeticke. This singular gift he hath also before others, that being angry, he can dissemble and couer his anger. He shall be in great daunger about 23. yeares of age, either to be bitten of a dog or hurt by fire, or else by some weapon.



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The Sunne in Cancer.

CAncer being naturally cold & moyſt, doth make groſſe the fleſh, and doth allure & prouoke to the loue and company of women. Alſo it cauſeth a good wit, humility, and wiſedome, full of ſtrife, & debate: and for the moſt part giuing victory ouer all his enemies. Attempting many things, and ſpecially on the ſea, often in daunger, & vexed with many incommodyties, with much pouerty & miſery. And albeit he be the cauſer of gayns, yet ſhall he be neuer a whit the richer: hee ſhall digge for treaſure, and finde that which he loked not for. But if it bee a maide, ſhee ſhall be fat, beautifull, nimble, angry, & ſone pleaſed, diligent, wiſe, ciuile, and ſhamefaſt, wittie, deceitfull, & crafty, ſaying one thing and doing another: alwaies carefull and painfull, ordained to many dangers, as by water, by falling, by childe-bearing, and by the chollicke, hauing her firſt child weake & feeble, the other ſomewhat ſtronger. And if he happen to commit any fault of infamy after the age of xxvi. yeares, it

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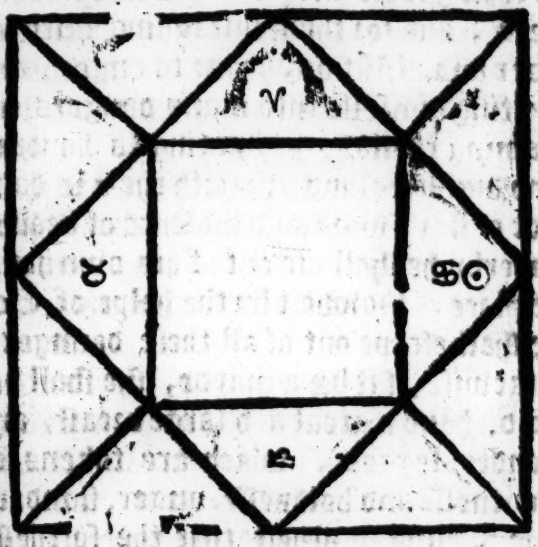
shall bee cleane abolished and put out of minde. After the which age, whether it be man or woman it promiseth good successe & fortune. It makes them also well hatred, modest, faithfull, painfull, greedy of meat & drinke, acquainted with Noble men, and fortunate in husbandry.

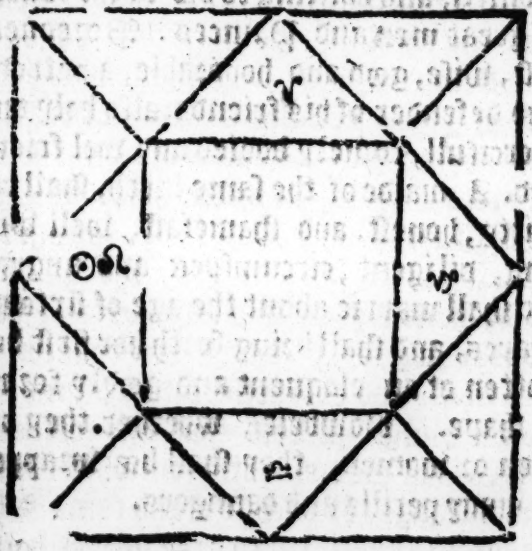


The Sunne in Leo.

The Sunne in Leo, maketh a stout stomacke, bould, arrogant, eloquent and

and prone: a mocker and scorner, vnmercifull, cruell, hard, and hard to bee intreated. Beset with many mysteries and perills, out of the which hee hardly escaped, shall obtayne some common office: as to be a Centurion or Captaine ouer 500. looking for benefit at the hands of three Noble men, vnfortunate in children, and for them sustayning much labour and affliction, prone to anger, and putting himselfe into many dangers, enflaming choller, promoting to honours and dignities, and bringeth them in danger of fier, sword, and violence of beasts, whereby he shall die out of his own house or place. Howbeit by the helpe of God he shall escape out of all these dangers. Likewise, if it bee a mayde, she shall bee bold, haue a great and large breast, and slender legges, which are tokens of stoutnesse and boldnesse, anger, slanders and blasphemy, albeit that the softnesse which is in women doth somwhat remit and asswage the excesse of the same. She ought also specially to take heed of hotte water and fire, by the which she shall be greatly

greatly in danger she shall also be much inclined to the sickenesse or gnawing of the stomacke. But after the age of 20. or 21. yeares, she shall be fortunate in riches, the which she shall obtaine by the help of great men, and the use of other mens goods: also in house-keeping, beauty, and loue. Notwithstanding, she shall haue but few children.



The Sunne in Virgo.

So likewise Virgo doth make them fortunate in houshold affaires, witty, true, thrift, and ambitious. His wife shal die before hee know of it, diuers thinges also shall bee taken and stolne from him: and he shall be reuenged of his enemies. Moreouer, he shall bee so much giuen to boasting and babling, that hee cannot hide and keepe close his owne secrets, faire of face, well manered, a louer of women, and deliting to bee in the courts of great men and Princes. Moreouer, iust, wise, good and honorable, a patrone and defender of his friends: also holy and mercifull, comely bodied and wel friended. A maide of the same birth, shall bee witty, honest, and shamefast, well willing, diligent, circumspect and angry, she shall marrie about the age of fiftéene yeares, and shall bring forth her first begotten of an eloquent and goodly forme or shape. Howbeit, whether they bee men or women, they shall bee wrapped in many perills and daungers.

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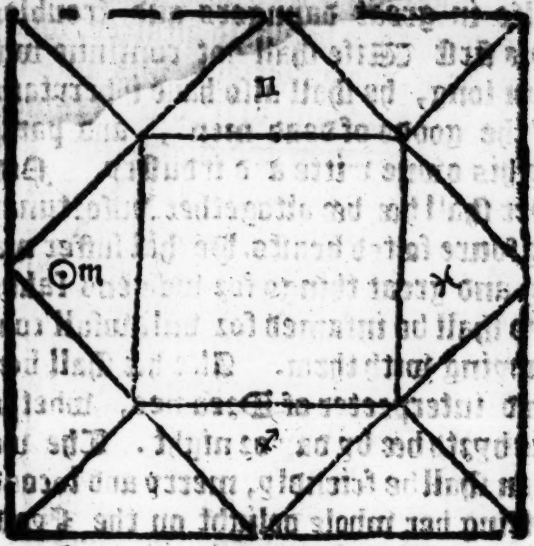

The Sunne in LIBRA.

The Sun in Libra causeth the Child to be lybidinous, bolde, fortunate, and spectally upon the waters or thinges pertayning to the water. Also by sweet spyces and pretyous stones, and such like. It causeth likewise a comely body and nimble, a pleasant tongue or speech, a good name, seking out secrets, but seldom stedfast in promises, although he pretend otherwise. He shall put himselfe

selfe in great dangers and troubles. His first Wife shall not continue with him long, he shall also haue inheritance of the goods of dead men, and partly by his owne witte and industry. Neyther shall hee bee altogether vnfortunate by foure footed beasts. He shal suffer many and great things for womens sakes, and shall be infamed for vnlawfull companying with them. Also hee shall be a good interpreter of Dreames, whether his byrth bee by day or night. The woman shall be friendly, merry and record, setting her whole delight on the Fyelds and hearbes, wandring into strange places. About the age of 27. she shall marry, which marryage shall be fortunate: whose beauty, pleasant speech, tongue, and comely behauiour, shall greatly preferre or promote her. Neyther are the children of Libra altogether vnapt to letters of good learning. But let them take heede of scalding waters and of fire, for they shall receiue hurt by them, without great regarde bee had.

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The Sunne in Scorpio.

SCorpio doth augment the inberytance, and addeth boldnes and stoutnesse, also flattery by the which he shall deceiue many, shewing (as they say) bread in the one hand, and hyding a Stone in the other: myngling poyson with hony, performing almost nothing that hee promyseth. Notwithstanding, merry, and iesting, light of beliefe, and a conquerour of his enemies.

It causeth also the woman to bée friendly, wise, and crafty, which shall bée deceiued of her first husband: her other husband shee shall ioyfully vse, and ouercome her enemies. Shée shall also haue the paine of the spléene, and be marked eyther in the head or shoulders, or brawne of the arme. It maketh both kinds bold and rash to robbe and steale, and to search out forbidden thinges, and to make contracts or bargaynes. Also it maketh them wanton, fornicators, vnstable, and full of euyll thoughts and imaginations, babling, and angry, and sometime very sad and afflicted. Howbeit, there shall be Princes and great men which shall assemble and get much by such sort of men, and also of the common people which shall attend them whereby they shall be had in great reputation and honour.

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The Sunne in Sagittarius.

SAgittarius is not altogether euill, for the Sunne dwelling in it doth giue fortune, and ministreth courage to take any thing in hand, whatsoeuer thou purposest: and specially to trauel strange countryes, and to passe the seas, and not to returne without great gaine. He shall also get friends to come into the houses and courts of Princes, (not to gather vp the trenchers, or licke the dishes, as the

common and vile sort of Courtiers do: but to be put in some office, as to be steward or such like, to the which promotion his agility and strength shall greatly prefer him. Moreouer, he shall be altogether giuen to riding, hauking, hunting, dauncing, and leaping, playes, & games, combates, and conflicts, for the which he shall haue many enemies which shall enuie him and impugne him grieuously, whom he shal notwithstanding vanquish and ouercome. He shall also possesse his Fathers inheritaunce, which happeneth not vnto all men. And oftentimes it maketh them iust-witty, still, harty, ingenious, faithfull, gentle, firme, and stable, paineful and boasting. The woman also shall not much differ: for she shalbe full of anxiety, painefull, mercyfull, & much enuied and laid in wayt for by euill men: but she shall ouercome them and be fertile in child-bearing. She shall marry about the age of xviii. yeares, but if that marriage proceed not, she shall not marry vntill the age of 24. yeares.

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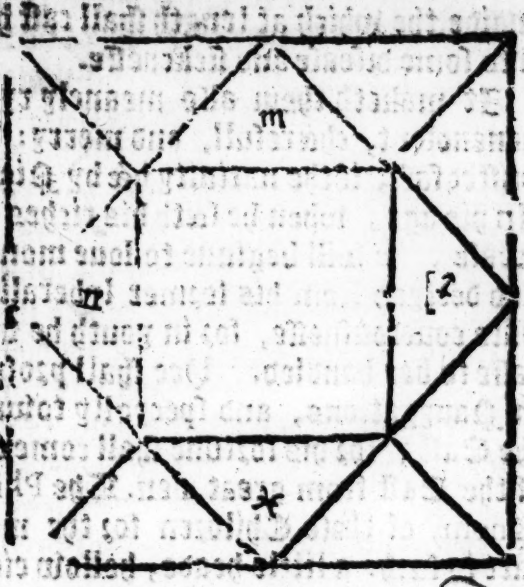

The Sunne in Capricorne.

CApricorne maketh the Child a ſtry and lyght, accompanying himſelfe with vyle and ſuſpitious perſons, Alſo paynfull, and diſtract and vexed with dyuers varyances, the which aduerſities hée ſhall boldely and ſtoutely beare out and ſuſtayne. Yée ſhall be ready to dye for the loue of ſome poore and ſimple

maide, the which at length shall cast him into some disease and sickenesse.

It maketh them also meanely rych, benevolent, chærefull, and merry: but vnstedfast, if the nativity bée by Night. In his age, when he séeth his riches increase, he will beginne to loue money, and decline from his former liberality, vnto couetousnesse, for in youth he was easie to bee handled. Hee shall prosper in Nauygations, and specyally toward the East, for his fortune shall come out of the East from great men. The Phisiognomy of these Children for the most part is such: a little heade, hollow eies, and a meane voice. Bathes bee profitable vnto him being sicke. The women are timerous, and very shamefast,

and shall haue dominion & victory ouer their enemies,

and shall stray farre abroad.

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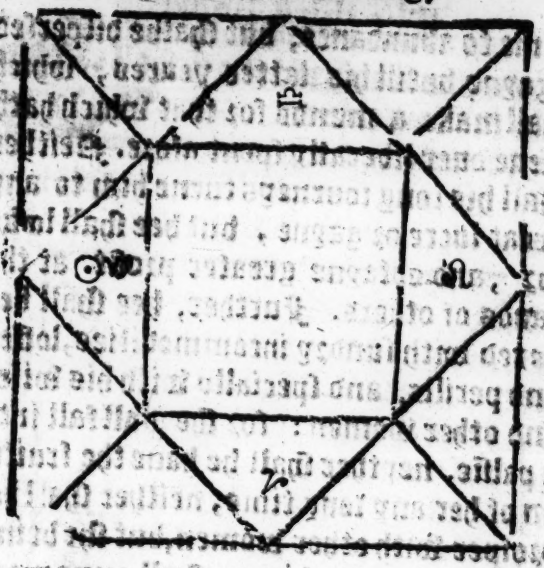

The Sunne in Aquarius.

AQuarius maketh the child friendly but coueto⁹s, and apt to quotidian agues, vnfortunate about waters, which naturally hee shall abhorre. His good fortune shall begin to increase about the age of xv. or xvi. yeares, at the which time hee shall beginne to wander and trauaile throughout diuers places, and ware somewhat rich, which riches shall neuer

come to abundance, but shalbe dispersed agayne vntill his latter yeares, which shall make a mends for that which hath beene ouer liberally spent afore. Neither shall his long iourneys turne him to any great lucre or gayne, but hee shall loke for, and obtayne greater profit at the hands of others. Further, hee shall bee vexed with sundry incommodities, losses and perills, and specially with his wife, and other women: for she shall fall into a palsie, neyther shall he haue the fruition of her any long time, neither shall hee prosper with other women, but she being once dead, all thinges shall come more fortunate to passe.

The mayd borne in Aquarius shall bee proper and fine, true, and constant, and in these three poynts, she shall excell the most. She shall also be enriched by other mens goods, and let her take heede of her children, for she shall bee vexed with many incommodities, & attempt strange places, shee shall be but of meane estate vnto the age of xxii. yeares, and then fortune shall begin somewhat to fauour her:

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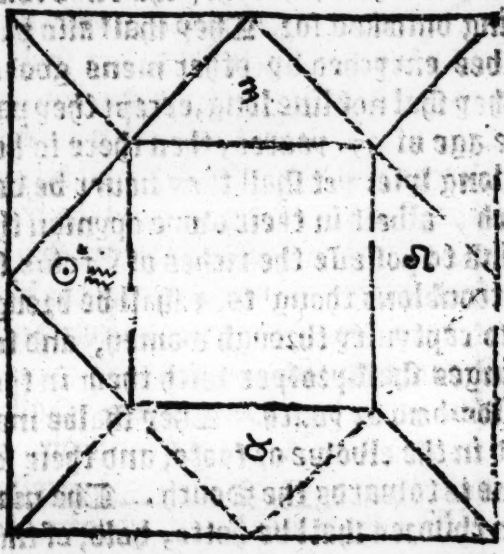
and she shall obtaine meane riches. Oftentimes both the men and women bee soft of speech, wise, ingenious, faithfull merrie and continually angry with their enemies.



The Sunne in Pisces

Pisces in youth both vexe his children with many evils, and oftëtimes without desart, and maketh them covetous, merry, diligent, players, neglecting for-

tune, of a good disposition, louing ẏ company of good men. Also of a quicke and ready tongue, bold, standyng much in their owne conceite, and fortunate in seeking out treasures: for this is onely giuen vnto them, that they shall find something vnlooked for. They shall also partly bee enryched by other mens goodes. They shal not liue long, except they passe the age of 35. yeares, then there is hope of long lyfe: yet shall they neuer be very rych, albeit in their owne opynion they think to possesse the riches of Cresus, full of troublous thoughts, & shall be brought into captyuity through women, and few thinges shall prosper with them in their childe-hood or youth. They shalbe marked in the elbowe or foote, and their fortune is towards the South. The mayden children shall be hotte, bold, of insolent tongues, contumelious, and full of brawling and scolding, beset with many perills, (and putting all honesty apart) she shall forsake her husband: and if shee bee not lette, shee will marry her selfe vnto an adulterer. Also they shalbe

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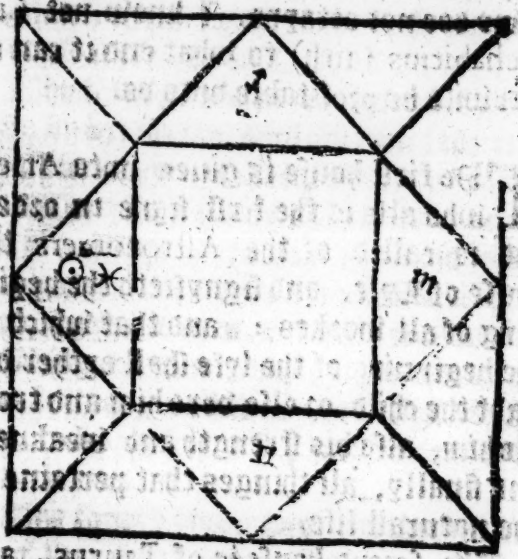
much vexed with the torments of the belly and stomache. And thus you have the second time the influences of the signes sufficiently spoken and intreated of.



The nature of the Houses.

NOw there only remaine to speake of the nature of the houses of the signes how and in what thinges they fauour or helpe our doings, and what is to bee done

done in euery signe: whereby wee may so order all our actions and doings, that all thinges may come prosperously and happily to passe. For this is the onely scope of Naturall Astrology, to the which if we doe not attayne, I know not (as Alchabitius saith) to what end it can otherwise be profitable vnto vs.

The first house is giuen vnto Aries, who also is the first signe in order, and is called of the Astronomers the house of Lyfe, and signyfieth the beginning of all workes: and that which in the beginning of the lyfe shall eyther delight the child, or else vexe him and trouble him, also his strength and weakenes: and finally, all thinges that pertaine to the naturall life.

The second house is of Taurus, and is the house of Substance, Lyuyng, Ministration, and Seruaunts, and betokeneth the ende of Youth. In the which House if Iupiter and Venus happen to bee, they will chiefly encrease those goodes which amongst the Lawyers are called

called moueables, and also unmouables, as garden, fields, vyneyards, and yerely rents, and whatsoeuer doth endure long. Also if any man do hier any bond-seruant vnder the Signe, hee shall bee faythfull in all thinges he shall bee put in trust withall.

The third house which signyfieth successe by bretheren, sisters, kindred, and small iourneys, is attribute vnto Gemini. Wherefore if any man haue Aries in the Horoscope, you may pronounce to him good fortune by his bretheren & kindred, by great men, and his neighbours.

It is good vnder the signe, to write and send letters, to take in hand short iourney, to begin friendship or brotherhood, or such like.

The fourth house is called the mansion of Parents, inheritance, treasures, and secrets. In this house it is good to contract, buy, & sell, and to change bineyardes, fieldes, and possessions, to build houses and engines, to lay foundations, to dig the earth, & to chuse thy sepulchre, for al these things Cancer doth prosperat.

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The fift house, is the house of Children, and love, legacies and gifts, and of all those things which after death doe pertaine eyther to paine or reproach. It is expedient therefore under this signe to take in hand all things that commeth in mind, to cherish thy selfe, to banquet and make good cheere, to stray abroad, to enter into couenants and friendship, because of Venus ministring gladnesse. It is good also to put on new garments, to write Epistles, to be merry and pleasant and to get him faythfull friends, which may defend him in his necessity & neede.

The sixt is the house of infyrmity and sicknesse, sadnesse, and seruants, the delight of Mars, and is imputed vnto Virgo. It is not good heerein neither to buy or sell, because of vnfaithfulnes, labour, and sorrow, and especially by Mercurials and Virgins, whom a man ought to eschew. For it heapeth against vs false witnesse, theeues, & those which shall lye in wait for our life, men-slayers, & blood-shedders. Also tumults, seditions, and factions, and all these shall happen by the

the Virginists and Mercurials, because that Mars as is aforesaid doth reioyce in these things.

The vii. is in Libra, which following by and by after the sickness, is the house of marriage, and of those things which are handled about the middle age, as it were equall in ballance. In this it is good to amend and recouer things lost and in desperation: and because it is the house of perfit enmity, it is good to haue to do with thine enemies, to begin warres and debates, and specyally for them which haue Aries in the ascendent.

The eight mansion is attribute unto Scorpio, and is the house or portion of death, feare, and inheritaunce of dead men, and of such things as are done after death. Wherefore take heede that in this signe thou take in hand nothing, neyther enter upon any iourney, or commit thy selfe unto waters, because that heerin he shall easily take hurt. Wherefore all battels, contentions, unlust causes, enmities and euill women are to be eschaed, especially if they come by inheritance.

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The ix. is in Sagittarius, the house of faith, religion, long iourneys, wisedome, Phylosophy, Mathematicall Sciences, bookes, Epistles, Narrations, Messages, dreames, and rumors, which euery one haue their proper seate in the firmament or heauen. Wherefore the Sunne and the Moone being in that house, it is good to take in hand the things aforesaid, for because they shall sooner take effect at that tyme then any other, for it is the mansion of perfect friendship.

The x. house is in Capricorne, and is called the house of Kingdome, rule and offices, & what soeuer pertayneth to power. Wherefore if thou wilt giue forth any precept or commandement, or bring any prouince or Citty in subiection, or attayne and get any rich kingdome, or haue to do with any iudge or take in hand the defence of the poore, or haue conference with great or noble men: all these things may happily & fortunatly be doue the Sun or Moone being in this house, commonly called the house of Capricorne by the regular order, Aries being in ỹ first house.

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The xi. is referred to Aquarius, and is the house of prayse, of good Fortune, the delight of Iupiter, of Seruants and helpers in this mansion. It is good to set vpon thine enemies, to get friends to prayse them by whom thou lookest for reward and gaine: and finally to take in hand all thinges that wee would haue come to well passe.

The most euill and Pestilent house in a manner of all, is the xii. house, for it is the mansion of enemies, Prisons, labours miseryes, enuy, murmurations, and Beasts, and is the end of lyfe. In this house let no goodnesse be looked for, but let him take heede of imprisonment, or fetters, the which (if hee chaunce to come into this signe hee shall be hardly deliuered out. And if that Saturne the Lord of the house, or Mars be there: it worketh death, and all kind of mischiefe. And thus sucessiuely of all the other signes.

Hitherto wee haue spoken of the Nature and effects of the Signes, in what thinges they being ascendent, doe helpe

and further vs. Now wee will call to mynde agayne some what which was spoken before concerning the Planets: about the which (as the matter doth require) wee will not tarry with long circumstaunce, according to the Prouerbe, not minding to make an Elephant of a flye: or a great master of a small.

Saturne Lord of the Birth.

SAturnus wheresoeuer he bee Lord of Birth, doth drawe the minde of those which are borne vnder him, hauing the bridle at liberty, to bee hye minded and stubborne, to malice, and to many miseries and calamities. Howbeit hee giueth fayth and wisedome to perswade, and to discerne that which is iust and true in all matters but in his owne, in the which he shall not be so circumspect. He shall trust much vnto himselfe and to his owne wittes, a small eater, but a large

larger drinker, nor greatly affectioned towards his wife and children.

Moreouer, he causeth the body to bée leane, colde, and drie, filling it full of euill humors, maketh palnesse, bringeth sicknesse sone, and heapeth all diseases together: as the inflamations of the Lunges, with a feruent Ague, the dropsy, the Gout, the Kings euill, botches, & biles falling of the haire and blindnes, faling sicknesse: and finally, the whole Seas & floude of naughtie and vicious humors. He doth also cut off and shorten the lyfe, either in a moyst place, or else in a strãge or desert place, out of his Natiue Countrey. It is also very euill if Mercury do fall in he house of Saturne, for he maketh an Inchaunter, a Coniurer, a south sayer, a truse breaker, and an enemie of his Parents and brethren, and of all other men.

IVPITER Lord of the birth.

IVpiter doth euery where deserue prayse for there is no point of counsel, wisedome, knowledge, eloquence & beautye, which he doth not liberally minister and giue: so that if you will describe any good man, you may well faine him to be a Iouiall. And briefly, if thou vendicate vnto him all vertues and goodnesse, thou canst not erre. For the Iouialles be fully replenished with all those thinges, so much lesse doe they lacke any thing. To what end shall I nede to commend and prayse their magnanymyty, with their large honours and promotions: when as I sayd before, there is nothing found to be wanting or lacking in them?

Mars Lord of the Birth.

COntrariwise, Mars being naturally euill, doth make them disposed to all kynde of euill. And as we sayd, there was nothing in Iupiter blame worthy:

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so wee doe againe pronounce, that there is not so great a mischiefe, but that the Martialists dare boldly take in hand: nor none so foule a crime, wherewith they are not contaminate and defiled.

It is counted a heinous thing amongst them to bee honest and good. And it is counted a great vertue to rob, & steale, to kill, to burne, to lye, to deceiue, and delude. And to bee short, it is naturall vnto them to commit all vnlawfull thinges. And if there be any thing more mischieuous then other, they thinke it lawfull for them to doe it without shame or punishment.

Venus Lady of the Birth.

The properties of Venus are so well knowne that I shall not needs to stand about it with great circumstances: neither doe I see why shee should not be ioyned with Iupiter. For vnto all the effects and workes, to all the vertues and sciences, and finally, to al the good things that Iupiter doth giue: she addeth splen-

doure and renowne, and also riche, and specially if Iupiter be in any friendly aspect with her: or that *Mercury* bee in coniunction with Saturne and Mars, her signification is well knowne.

MERCVRIE Lord of the Byrth.

VNto some Mercury seemeth doubtfull, good with the good, euill with the euill. Nowbeit alone he is very good in giuing the dowries of the witte or disposition, in the which he doth excell Iupiter and *Venus*. As for the sorts and kinds of Sciences and learning, they are so well knowne, that we shall not nede to repeate them here againe.

The Sun with the Lord of the Byrth.

ALL that which is aforesaid of the good planets, we would also haue it vnderstood of the Sunne. For he is assured of a good planet which hath him, I mean not Lord of the birth: for that he is neuer. Likewise as the Moone being with the Lord of the birth seemeth to me to be

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(as it were) a meane betweene mars and Venus, and therefore keepeth as it were a meane in the naturall gifts. But if she happen to come in Coniunction with Iupiter, venus, and mercury: who will not iudge that man most happy?

The Moone with the Lord of the birth.

THe Moone onely for this cause is euill reported, because it doth breede instability and vnstedfastnes, the which in a man bringeth all kind of mischiefes.

CANONS OR RVLES FOR the erection of the figure of the Heauen.

THe same order of the signes is obserued herein that is in the artificiall, for what signe is ascendent, euery Plannet according to the order, is to be put into euery house. As if Aries be the ascendent of the birth place, Aries in the first house: Taurus in the second, Gemini in the third, and Cancer in the

fourth. If the Sunne be in Cancer, thou shalt place Cancer in the first house, Leo in the second, Virgo in the third, Libra in the fourth, Scorpio in the fift, Sagittarius in the sixt, Capricorne in the seuenth, which is opposite to Cancer, and the other in their order as you well know.

But the Lordshippe and gouernours of the signes is cleane preposterous and contrarye to that which is alleaged of Firmicus: for here onely respect is had to the Lord of the ascendant, and after him the other Planets in each house are to bee placed according to their naturall order.

And in this onely it agreeeth with the artificiall, that the Lord of the ascendant is placed with the ascendant of the other planets, there is no order but only the naturall order. As for example, I desire to erect a figure of Nativity, the Sun beeing in Aries. I know the order of the houses. I will sette in the first house Aries, in the second Taurus, in the eyght Scorpio, in the nynth Sagittarius,

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in the x. Capricorne, in the xi. Aquarius in the xii. Pisces. And the signes beeing thus set, is almost the whole order of them which iudge by the Horoscope.

Now followeth the order of the Planettes. First of all I appoynt to the Lordship of Aries, Mars: for he is Lord of the signe, to the second house I ascribe the Sunne, to the third Venus, to the fourth Mercury, to the fift the Moone to the sixt Saturne, to the seauenth Iupiter, to the eight Mars, to the nynth the Sunne to the tenth Venus, to the eleauenth Mercury, to the xii, the Moone.

Thus you see the Lord of the ascendent onely, except all other Planets, to bee placed according to their naturall order. I would not that any man should vnderstand mee herein, that when I speake of the ascendent, that I meane the ascendent of the houre or Horoscope but of the signe in the which the Sunne is at that time.

Likewise, in the second reuolution, thou shalt set Saturne in the first house, and shalbe the Lord of life at the age of

13. yéeres. In the second house Iupiter, and according to his Nature iudge the substance of the Childe. To the third house adde Mars, and by him iudge concerning brethren and kindred, and short Iourneys. To the fourth house the Sun, and according to his Nature, haue respect to the Parents and Inheritaunce at 16. yéers of age. And by this example you may rayse to any Man a like Reuolution, and perceiue thereby what shall happen yéerely. For this house doth not signifie that short reuolution wherin the Sunne is euery two houres: but a yéerely reuolution, Wherefore wee haue added a reuolution, stretching to 84. yéers according to the ascendent in Aries: but if that any other signe be ascendent, you must forme an other reuolution, but according to the type or rule. If thou wilt iudge of children, looke to the fift house, For sickines, small beasts, or Seruants, behold the first house. For marriages and open enemyes, the Seuenth house. For death and inheritance by dead men, and such kynd of things: giue iudgement by

the eight house, and so likewise of all the other houses. Neither do I vnderstand and pursuine what either ought or can be further spoken or said herin. The summe of this art is to know the natures of the signes & Planets, and then to erect a figure, and to exercise that which you haue read. Proue it who will, and he shall se it not only to agree with the artificiall: but also how to exercise it, as well for the easynes as also for the certainty of the same.

Thou seest (as we sayd before in our preface, and now againe without shame) that there is nothing so much to be taken hēd of, as a few things which are taken out of the artificiall. Neither is it vnknowen that Liechtenbergius ỹ best lerned of his time in natural *M*athematical sciences: by this only Art to haue made all the Astronomers astonied, and to haue wrought strange thinges. Wherefore it should seme very euill, if that we should suffer the learning and cunning of such a man to be obscured & kept close, for these our doings we haue drawen out of him. Wherefore we are the lesse to be blamed

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if that we haue not satisfied euery mans
expectation: except you will count it fault
worthy, that we haue expounded and
set out other mens good workes, vnto the
posterities, and preferre them before our
owne. The which thing if it bee culpa-
ble, who is then without shame or re-
proch, euen they which are counted best
learned in this time and season. Wee
haue added hereunto a figure of the
reuolution: he that will know
the other reuolutions, let him
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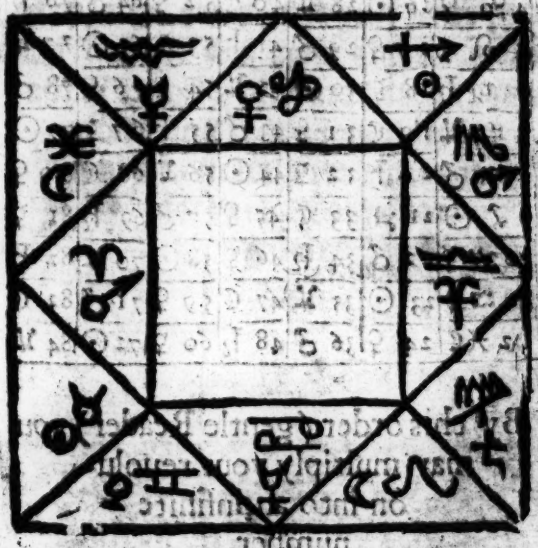
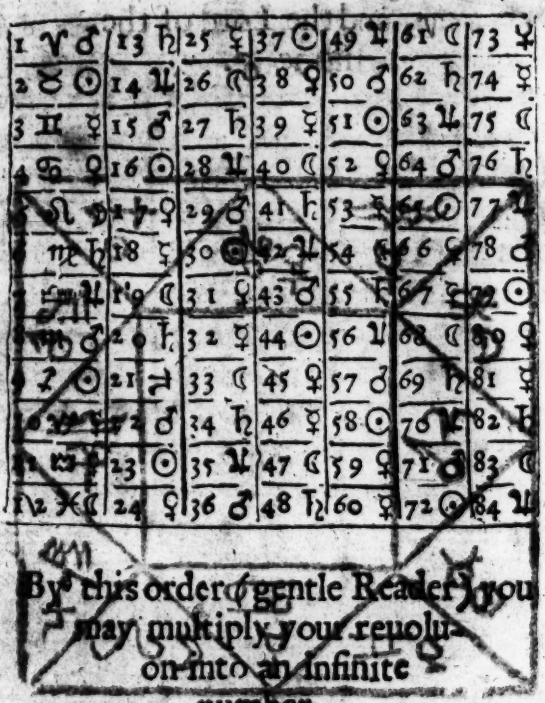
A figure of the Revolution of the Signes and Planets according to Naturall Astrologie, whose ascendent is ♈, and the Lord of the same ♂.



A continuation or prolonging of the figure aforesaid, from the first yere of the Horoscope in ♈, vnto the end of 84. yeares.



By this order ô gentle Reader you may multiply your reuolution into an infinite number.

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